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KING's Commiſſion of the Peace, Oyer and Terminer, and Gaol Delivery for the CITY of LONDON;

AND ALSO

The Gaol Delivery for the County of *Middleſex*,

HELD AT

JUSTICE HALL *in the* OLD BAILEY,

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BEFORE the Right Honourable JOHN HOPKINS, LORD MAYOR of the City of London; the Honourable Sir RICHARD PERRYN, and the Honourable Sir ALEXANDER THOMPSON, two of the Barons of his Majeſty's Court of Exchequer; Sir JOHN WILLIAM ROSE, Serjeant at Law, Recorder of the ſaid City; JOHN SILVESTER, Eſq. Common Serjeant of the ſaid City; and others his Majeſty's Juſtices of Oyer and Terminer of the City of London, and Juſtices of Gaol Delivery of Newgate, holden for the ſaid City and County of Middleſex.

Firſt Middleſex Jury.	*Second Middleſex Jury.*	*London Jury.*
Edward Berry	Daniel Willſhen	William Sharp
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Edward Gwynn	Thomas Ellis	John Boozey
Thomas Gleaves	Barnard Baker	Thomas Wilkinſon
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Joſeph Corbyn	William Flemming	Edward Cave
John Vigurs	William Williams	William Talbot
Andrew Shabner	George Downing	Percival Nicholls
Thomas Wilkinſon	Charles Rymer	Joſeph Shakeſpeare

1. JOHN AUSTIN was indicted for feloniouſly breaking and entering the dwelling-houſe of Robert Archer, in the day-time, one John Keys being therein, and ſtealing therein one metal watch, value 20s. and a ditto, value 10s. a pair of ſilver ſhoe-

ſhoe-buckles, value 4s. a ſtone breaſt-buckle, value 1s. and 5l. in money numbered, the property of Mary Hughes, in the ſaid dwelling-houſe.

MARY HUGHES *ſworn.*

I am a widow; I live in Leather-lane; I went out on Sunday, the 2d of October; it was paſt three; I returned before five. I put the key into my door, and I found it open; it was a one-pair of ſtairs. I am a lodger; the landlord lives in the houſe; his name is Robert Archer; my brother and his wife were with me. There did not appear any violence. I ſaid, my door is open; and directly I ſaid ſo, the priſoner looked at me from behind the door in the front room. I ſcreamed out, and ran down ſtairs. My brother and his wife went into the room. I went to the publick houſe, and the landlord came with me. I cannot ſay whether Keys was in the houſe. I locked my door ſafe when I went out; I did not leave any body in my apartment when I went out; I do not know that any body was in the houſe; I am quite certain I locked the door. The things were all in one ſet of drawers, which I locked; but I found them open on my return with the landlord. There did not appear to be any violence done to them; the things were all found in his pocket. The value of the goods I am not a judge of.

Mr. Garrow, Priſoner's Counſel. There are other perſons live in the houſe?—Yes.

They have keys to let themſelves in?—Yes.

JOSEPH TAYLOR *ſworn.*

I am a ſhoemaker. On the day of the robbery I had been walking, and returned home with my ſiſter. She put the key in the door, and it flew open; Mrs. Hughes ſcreamed, and ran down ſtairs. My wife and I went into the room; as ſoon as I went in I ſaw the priſoner, not before; I ſaw him behind the door; my wife ſcreamed out on ſeeing him, and ſaid, Oh, you thief! I ſeized him; the things were taken from him, and delivered to me, and I have kept them ever ſince. (Produces the things.) John Keys, I think, was in the houſe. He acknowledged all the things to be our's, except 1s. of his own.

Mr. Garrow. You ſaw Keys come down after you went in, but you cannot ſay whether he was in the houſe before?—No.

MARY TAYLOR *ſworn.*

I had been out on the Sunday; when we returned, my ſiſter ſaid, the door is open; ſhe ſcreamed out, and ran down ſtairs; and I went in with my huſband, and ſaw the priſoner in an eaſy chair. We held him a few minutes. I was going then to look for my ſiſter. He tuſsled with my huſband, and they fell. He was ſearched, and I ſaw the ſhagreen watch taken from him, and a pair of ſilver ſhoe-buckles.

THOMAS RAY *ſworn.*

I keep a publick houſe. About four or five o'clock of the Sunday afternoon, I went up ſtairs to her apartment, and found the priſoner ſtruggling with the brother and his wife to get away from them. I puſhed him back into the room; I put my hand into his pocket, and found a watch and a picklock key; there were ſeveral things taken from him. (Depoſes to the articles.)

Mrs. Hughes depoſes to the property. The watch I have had three years; it is worth 20s. the other is worth 10s. the ſilver buckles 4s. ſtone breaſt buckle 1s. thimble, three plain ſilver ſleeve buttons 6d. child's bell and wire ring, I put no value on theſe things.

GUILTY, **Death.**
(Aged 19.)

Tried by the firſt Middleſex Jury before *Mr.* RECORDER.

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2. MORGAN LEWIS was indicted for feloniouſly ſtealing, on the 16th day of September laſt, two remnants of callico, value 2s. and other things, the property of Henry Small and Edward Madgwick.

Mr.

Mr. Garrow opened the caſe.

HEMRY SMALL *ſworn.*

I live in Taviſtock-ſtreet; my partner's name is Edward Madgwick. The priſoner came to live with us on the 1ſt of March, and ſtaid till the 29th of September. I heard the priſoner was ſtopped at a pawnbroker's, in Whitechapel; there were five yards and a quarter of printed callico; I ſearched his box on the 29th; the box was locked; the priſoner was preſent, he gave me the key; I found theſe two remnants of callico: they are marked Q. C. it is our private mark. The callico is our's, and may be worth 2s. a ſmall remnant of Iriſh. I found a key in his box. I went to Mr. White's chambers, in Lincoln's Inn, from ſome ſuſpicion I had, and alſo from ſome information I had received, and found ſome property in a drawer.

Mr. FRANCIS *ſworn.*

The priſoner at the bar offered this remnant of callico to pledge. I ſtopped him.

Mr. LANE *ſworn.*

I received this pledge from Joſeph Dean.

JAMES VINCENT *ſworn.*

I am a pawnbroker. I received theſe things from Joſeph Dean.

Joſeph Dean. I received theſe from Mary Lewis.

Mary Lewis. I received theſe things from Morgan Lewis.

(Proſecutor depoſes to the goods.)

PRISONER's DEFENCE.

There is a perſon here who was preſent when I bought ſome of theſe articles laid to my charge.

HENRY WILLIAMS *ſworn.*

I am a barriſter at law, the priſoner was my ſervant; he was very honeſt during the time he lived with me.

Thomas Williams alſo gave the priſoner a good character.

GUILTY, value 2s

Tried by the firſt Middleſex Jury before Mr. Baron PERRYN.

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3. JAMES WILSON was indicted for feloniouſly ſtealing, on the 22d of October laſt, one miniature picture, value 15s. and divers other things, the property of ——— Shelley.

Mr. SHELLEY *ſworn.*

I live in Henrietta-ſtreet; I am a miniature painter. The priſoner was my ſervant; he came to live with me in October laſt. On Friday the 28th of October Mr. Bond ſent to me. I went to the office in Bow-ſtreet; I there ſaw a miniature picture, ſet in gold, my property. I had not miſſed this picture before; my pictures were put into a box on account of repairing the houſe. Mr. Heather ſtopped the priſoner.

THOMAS KIMBER *ſworn.*

I am ſervant to Mr. Heather; he is ill, and unable to attend. This young man brought the picture into our ſhop on the 28th of October. He aſked to exchange it for a pin. Mr. Heather thought he did not come honeſtly by it, and ſent for a conſtable. The priſoner ſaid, a young woman gave it him for a pin. (Produces the picture.) Mr. Heather delivered the picture to me. I am ſure this is the picture the priſoner offered.

STEPHEN LAVENDER *ſworn.*

I am a patrole; I ſearched the priſoner in Heather's ſhop, and found a ſmall magnifying glaſs and a ſhilling. I went with Mr. Shelley to his houſe, and ſearched the priſoner's box, Mr. Shelley was preſent, I found a ſhirt and two neck handkerchiefs; they are here.

Mr.

Mr. Shelley. This picture is my property; it is one of them that was in the box. The ſhilling I ſwear to; and think the glaſs is mine; I had ſuch a one. When I ſearched, I could not find it. I do not ſwear to the ſhirt, but I have no doubt it is mine. The neckcloths I believe alſo are mine.

PRISONER's DEFENCE.

I came by the ſhilling honeſtly; the magnifying glaſs I found in ſweeping out the pantry; the linen I had from the country; my mother always waſhed for me.

GUILTY. (value 15s.)

Tried by the firſt Middleſex Jury before Mr. Baron THOMPSON.

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4. CHARLES DURHAM was indicted for burglariouſly and feloniouſly breaking and entering the dwelling-houſe of John Cutt, about the hour of nine in the night, on the 11th of November laſt, and burglariouſly ſtealing therein eight ſhirts, value 2l. two ſhifts, value 9s. two pair of hoſe, value 2s. four frocks, value 4s. one coloured gown, value 5s. one bed gown, value 1s. two white petticoats, value 2s. and divers other things, the property of the ſaid John Cutt.

AMELIA CUTT *ſworn.*

I live at No. 33, Eagle-ſtreet, Red-lion-ſquare; my brother keeps the houſe; it is a coal-ſhed; there are ſeven in family; the upper part of the houſe is let to one family. I looked at my watch a quarter before nine on the 11th of November; I was croſſing the paſſage from the parlour to the bed-room, I ſaw the priſoner coming down ſtairs with a bundle; he dropt it on the ſtairs; he ſaid nothing to me; he came to me; he came to the bottom of the ſtairs, and I collared him, and cried, Brother, brother, a thief, a thief, a thief! He gave me a blow on the breaſt, and ran out of the houſe; he left the bundle behind him. My brother purſued him immediately; he was brought back in leſs than ten minutes. I am poſitive the priſoner is the perſon who ran out of the houſe. The ſtreet-door is always open on account of the ſhop; he ran out at that door; the parlour door was open, and I had a candle in my hand, ſo that there was light both ways. The priſoner was taken to the watch-houſe; the conſtable has the bundle.

JOHN CUTT *ſworn.*

I live in Eagle-ſtreet; I am a houſekeeper. On the 13th of November, about a quarter before nine, I was ſitting in my parlour, I heard my ſiſter cry out, Brother, brother, a thief! I got up, and ran out; I ſaw the priſoner in the paſſage running out; I had a very good view of him, becauſe there is a very good light; my ſiſter had a candle in her hand. I purſued him into Holborn; as he turned the corner of Dean-ſtreet I loſt ſight of him; that may be 20 yards. Mr. Walker ſtopped him in Holborn. I went up to them. The priſoner is the man that I ſaw run out of the houſe. When he was brought back, he ſaid, he was not the man. He was taken to the watch-houſe.

——— WALKER *ſworn.*

I heard the alarm before he ran out about a quarter of a minute; the man that came out of the houſe came out ſtumbling; he ran paſt me; I endeavoured to lay hold of him, but I miſſed him the firſt time; I then followed him down Dean ſtreet about threeſcore yards; I ſeized him in Holborn by the ſkirt of his coat; he ſtruck back at me; I caught his arm, and held him by that arm and his collar; he ſwore at me, and aſked what I wanted; I told him, I did not want him, it was thoſe who called after him that wanted him. Mr. Cutt then came up; he was ſecured, and brought back. I never was three yards from him.

JAMES HODGES *ſworn.*

I am conſtable of the pariſh. I produce the things mentioned in the indictment.

(Depoſed to by the proſecutor and Amelia Cutt.) They were taken out of three drawers in the dining-room; they were looſe.

PRISONER's DEFENCE.

I was walking through Holborn; I heard Stop thief! and this man came up, and this man came up, and laid hold of me. I know nothing of the matter. I have no witneſſes.

GUILTY of ſtealing only.

Tried by the firſt Middleſex Jury before Mr. Baron THOMPSON.

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6. GEORGE COWLAND was indicted for ſtealing, on the 2d of December, twenty-ſix pounds weight of cheeſe, value 13s. the property of James Smith.

JAMES SMITH *ſworn.*

I am a porter, and agent for merchants; we are reſponſible for every article taken out of the cart, till it goes on board; I am alone reſponſible: this cheeſe was taken from the cuſtom-houſe keys the 2d of December, about eleven. I miſſed it; I did not ſee it taken; I had notice of it in about five minutes; I went to the place, and miſſed one of the cheeſes. The priſoner was brought back with the cheeſe. I cannot poſitively ſwear to the cheeſe; but it was the ſame ſort of cheeſe. It was under the ſecond crane, next to the wool-key.

HENRY COOPER *ſworn.*

I ſaw the man take the cheeſe out of the baſket, under the the ſecond crane, next Wool-key. I had not time to ſtop him. I can ſwear the priſoner is the man that took the cheeſe. I ſaw him when he was brought back; he was the ſame man; I have no doubt about him; he had a jacket on.

WILLIAM WELLS *ſworn.*

I was juſt come off the keys. I met the priſoner with ſomething, which I ſuppoſed to be a cheeſe; I ſtopped him, and found a cheeſe in his apron. He ſaid, he found it. I made enquiry, and took the priſoner to the keys, and found Mr. Smith had loſt one. I did not examine the other cheeſes; they have no marks; it was all that kind of cheeſe, as far as I know. There were 114 baſkets, and one was miſſing from one baſket, and this correſponded.

PRISONER's DEFENCE.

Mr. Wells, the conſtable, has tranſported above forty people in the laſt two years.

GUILTY.

Tried by the London Jury before Mr. RECORDER.

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7. WILLIAM ROGERS was indicted for ſtealing, on the 30th of November laſt, ſeven pounds weight of raw ſugar, value 4s. the property of Francis Phillips, Joſeph Wilmot, Thomas Kilby, William Hobbins, Samuel Drake, John Porter, and Samuel Pinchin.

JOHN PORTER *ſworn.*

On Wedneſday, the 30th of November, I was at work on the key; I ſaw the priſoner come out of the warehouſe, called Cheſter Key Warehouſe, which we belong to; they are both under our care; I ſaw him come down three ſteps, and ſtopped him. I ſaid, ſoldier, where have you been at work? He ſaid, at the capſtan. I ſaw his hand all over ſugar, his breeches were full, and lined all round his body. I took ſeven pounds of ſugar from under his clothes; it was raw ſugar. I weighed the hogſhead, and it wanted a quarter and ſeven pounds. I never loſt ſight of the priſoner.

THOMAS HUNTER *ſworn.*

I a conſtable to the Weſt-India Merchants. I ſecured the priſoner, and kept the property ever ſince.

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PRISONER's DEFENCE.

I had the misfortune to buy the ſugar of a ſailor on the keys.

GUILTY.

Tried by the London Jury before Mr. RECORDER.

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8. THOMAS SKELTON and JOHN MARTIN were indicted for feloniouſly ſtealing, on the 3d of November, four pieces of bar iron, value 5s. the goods of Robert Jones.

JOSEPH NASH *ſworn.*

I ſtopped the priſoners on Thurſday, the 3d of November, in Petticoat-lane; Skelton had two pieces of bar iron, weighing 32lb. and Martin two pieces, weighing 12lb. Mr. Jones claimed the property I produce.

ROBERT JONES *ſworn.*

I live in Swan-yard, Biſhopſgate-ſtreet; I am a farrier. This iron is mine. This bar has been in my ſhop two years and a half; it is ſtouter than that which I uſually uſe in my buſineſs. On the 19th of October, I was drinking a pot of beer with Mr. Parr, from whom I took the ſhop, and was obſerving, that I had not uſed all the iron he had left. Skelton aſked Parr to give him ſomething to drink, (I only ſwear to one bar) and ſaid, he wiſhed he had to work up that iron, as it was very unhandy; he ſaid this becauſe Parr refuſed him drink. This bar is cracked, which renders it remarkable; I know the bar; I am poſitive.

Joſeph Noſh. I aſked the priſoners where they got the iron? they ſaid, they found it.

Thomas Skelton called two witneſſes, who gave him a good character.

John Martin called one witneſs, who gave him a good character.

Both GUILTY.

Tried by the firſt Middleſex Jury before Mr. RECORDER.

9. WILLIAM CLUER was indicted for feloniouſly aſſaulting William Bryant, on the King's highway, on the 14th of November laſt, and putting him in fear, and feloniouſly taking from his perſon, and againſt his will, one tin box, value 4d. eighteen guineas, one half guinea, three baſe metal counters reſembling half guineas, value 2d. and twelve ſhillings in monies numbered, his property.

The caſe was opened by Mr Knowlys.

The witneſſes examined ſeparate.

WILLIAM BRYANT *ſworn.*

I was a ſailor on board the Romulus. I received my wages about two, and went firſt to the Salutation. I had eighteen guineas and a half in gold, three pocket pieces I bought in London reſembling half guineas, and about thirteen ſhillings in money, the money was in a tin box. We were drinking together at the Salutation; I went down the town, and got ſome victuals, and ſaw the priſoner at the Running Horſe, and aſked him to drink a glaſs; I ſat there ſome time; the priſoner was in company, and he took hold of me by the ſhoulder, and ſaid, Come, ſhipmate, go with me, I will provide you a good lodging; I did not look at firſt; he made a ſtop at once. I aſked him where he was going; he took me up a very narrow paſſage, gave me a ſudden jerk all of a ſudden on the ſhoulder, and took my tin box and money out of my pocket. He went away all at once. I went to the next houſe, and told them, and that he had only left me one copper. They ſearched my pockets, and ſent for a conſtable. I ſtaid there all night; it was a lodging-houſe; none of the people are here. The next morning I went to the Running Horſes, and told the landlord, and ſeized the priſoner, who ſtood by the fire. He took out half a guinea for change; he ſwore many heavy oaths, and pulled out two more; they were my property: I gave a penny a piece for them; they were half-guinea pieces reſembling half-guineas; one of them was found in the aſhes. I underſtood the tin box was picked up by a ſchool-boy, who is here.

Mr.

Mr. Garrow, Priſoner's Counſel. Was the Salutation the firſt houſe you drank at?—Yes.

How long had you been there?—Near an hour.

What liquor did you drink?—Part of two pints of beer between me and two more.

How long did you ſtay at the Running Horſes?—The ſpace of an hour.

You drank there too?—Yes.

Do you recollect fighting any body in the ſtreet after you went out of the Running Horſes?—No.

Was you ſo ſober as to recollect all that happened to you?—Yes; I was not paid off when the ſhip was paid.

Had you been at the Bull public-houſe that night?—At the Bull, Sir.

Aye, recollect yourſelf; and recollect, there is leſs offence in a ſailor's getting drunk after a long voyage than in ſwearing againſt a man?—I was in the Bull.

And there you invited a young woman to paſs the night with you?—I was in no woman's company any further than this, I ſaw a woman in a black gown; ſhe aſked me what countryman I was; I told her, I was of the Weſt of England, and I aſked her for a cook's ſhop; I went into the cook's ſhop, and aſked her to ſit down; ſhe did not come in then, ſhe returned again in five minutes; ſhe came up through the ſtreet with me again; I went along with her to the Salutation, then the landlord aſked her what ſhe did there.

She was a common woman?—I never ſaw her before; he aſked her what ſhe did there? ſhe ſaid, ſhe came to drink a glaſs of ſomething with me. He ſaid, he would as ſoon ſee her backſide as ſee her face; and I never ſaw the woman afterwards.

Do you mean to ſwear that after that you was not at the Bull with this young woman?—Yes, Sir.

Why, you was not ſo ungallant ſurely as an Engliſh ſailor to let her go out of the houſe by herſelf?—I never ſaw her afterwards; I was at the Bull before I went to the eating-houſe.

What became of you after you had loſt this woman, that would not have been a pleaſant circumſtance, you know? I went back again to the Running Horſes after that.

How long did you continue drinking there? You drank at the Salutation, then you got to the Running Horſes, then to the eating-houſe, then to the Salutation again, and then to the Running Horſes again; at all of which you took a little drop of a nip?—I ſtaid at the Running Horſes about half an hour after eight, and had two pints of flip; I did not drink it all myſelf; there was four or five of us.

How far off did you paſs your night from theſe running horſes?—I cannot ſay.

You do not recollect fighting with any body?—No, Sir.

No man in a ſailor's dreſs?—No.

Now, after all this drinking, do you really think you was any thing like ſober?—I was ſober and ſenſible to know what I ſaid and did.

SARAH VIOLET *ſworn.*

I keep the Running Horſes at Brentford. I remember the proſecutor coming in; it was between eight and nine when he came in; he was not more than an hour; the priſoner was there ſome of the time. Bryant paid for three pints of liquor, that was all he had; they went out together. I ſaw a tin box in the proſecutor's hand, but what he had in it I cannot tell; nobody elſe went out with the proſecutor. He came in next morning, and the priſoner was there; he ſaid, he had loſt his money. I cannot tell what paſſed; but ſoon after the priſoner went out, and brought a piece of money to pay for what he had. The proſecutor did not ſtop him then. The priſoner's maſter is a pipe-maker. He produced me half a guinea to take my reckoning; I told him it was a counterfeit; he deſired I would weigh it, and it was ſo; the priſoner ſaid, it was his money. The ſailor charged him in cuſtody.

Mr. Garrow. Did you obſerve whether he was a little in liquor?—I did not obſerve; they went out to get a lodging.

How

How long has the priſoner lived in your neighbourhood?—About ſix months; he frequented our houſe, and came there that morning, as he had been accuſtomed to do; he went out, and came in again ſome time after with this piece of money.

He might have put it all into the pipe-furnace if he had been conſcious of any thing of the ſort?

Court. Could the ſailor have had a lodging in your houſe?—Sometimes we do let a lodging; my huſband offered him half a bed.

JOHN CLAMTREE *ſworn.*

I am a pipe-maker in Brentford; the priſoner was my ſervant. I ſaw him at this publick houſe a quarter before nine; he gave me three pieces of medals, which I thought were half-guineas, and a guinea in gold, to take care of; he gave them me at William Violet's, the Running Horſes; the ſailor was not there at that time. I had not been in the houſe above five or ten minutes. I pay the priſoner 16s. a week on an average; I ſeldom paid him in gold; I paid him 16s. the Saturday before, all in ſilver. He never offered me any gold before.

Mr. Garrow. The priſoner applied to you for one of theſe very half-guineas?—Yes; he came to me for one of the half-guineas to go back and treat Bryan at that very publick houſe. He has worked for me about ſeven months; I never ſaw any diſhoneſty by him; he bore the character of an honeſt man; I never miſſed or found any thing loſt.

Mr. Garrow to Violet. This man had worked next door to you for ſome months, what character did he bear?—I have nothing to ſay againſt him; I never heard any thing to the contrary of an honeſt man.

Did Clamtree come in there?—Yes, ſome time after Bryan and the priſoner had left our houſe; they went out very good friends; he was to ſhew him a lodging. I ſaw him afterwards give Clamtree two of the ſmall pieces; I did not ſee him give the other two.

Mr. Garrow to Clamtree. He gave you this money in the open tap-room, without any ſecret?—Yes.

JOHN BROWN *ſworn.*

Was you at the Running Horſes on the evening of the 14th of November?—Yes. I am a ſhoemaker at Old Brentford; I ſaw the proſecutor and the priſoner go out together; I ſaw the priſoner the next morning throw down a pocket piece to the ſailor, a kind of a half-guinea coin; and after that he offered me a golden guinea not to ſay they went out together the over-night; that is, the ſaid William Cluer and the ſailor.

Had any complaint been made againſt the priſoner?—Yes; the proſecutor charged him with the offence; he ſaid, he could ſwear to the piece which I ſaw the criminal throw down.

Mr. Garrow. What are you?—A cordwainer. I was having a little beer; there was only me and one more, and the landlord.

Do you know the woman that this man afterwards went to the Bull with?—No; I was not at the Bull.

What did they go out together for?—I did not hear.

Court. Had you any acquaintance with the priſoner before?—No; the ſailor recollected that I was in his company the over-night.

You was not examined before the magiſtate, nor is your name on the back of the indictment?—No.

Mr. Garrow. When was you firſt applied to, to give evidence?—The next day; I went before the juſtice, Doctor Forſter.

Was you examined there?—Yes. I gave my examination in writing for what I knew of; I did not go before the Grand Jury, I was not in town.

THOMAS PETERS *ſworn.*

I am a ſhoemaker in Old Brentford; I was at the Running Horſes the evening of the 14th of November; I ſaw Bryant

there; I ſaw the proſecutor and priſoner go out together; the proſecutor was there firſt; the priſoner came in about five or ſix minutes, and aſked what I had to drink; I ſaid, a pint of beer; he drank of it, and called for another. I paid for the firſt pint; I told him not to call for any more; I had no more money; he ſaid, it did not matter, he had plenty of money, and he ſaid, he had ſaved up 3l. for the Chriſtmas holidays, which he had in a pipe-clay box; and ſoon after that, I think it might be in the ſpace of a quarter of an hour or twenty minutes, in came the proſecutor, and declared he had been robbed of all his property, which was 18 guineas and a half, and ſome odd money; what, I cannot juſtly ſay; and that the priſoner was the man that robbed him, and he would have a conſtable. Soon after that the priſoner beckoned me into the back parlour, and I went, and he put his hand into the fob of his trowſers, and pulled out a guinea, and two half guineas, as they appeared to me, but whether they were half guineas or counterfeits I could not tell; he offered me the two half guineas, as they appeared, to take them and keep them, and ſay nothing about it; I did not take them; I went and told my maſter, who was in the publick houſe, and the landlord; and before they could get a conſtable they were demoliſhed ſome how or other; they could could not be found. My maſter's name is Callaghan. He was ſearched by Mr. Cox, the conſtable.

WILLIAM GREEN called.

How old are you, my lad?—Thirteen, laſt September.

Do you know the nature of an oath?—Yes.

What are you to do?—I am to ſpeak the truth.

Suppoſe you do not ſpeak the truth, what will become of you?—Go to the devil.—(*Sworn.*) I picked up a box, I gave it to Mrs. Violet, about ſeven in the morning, on the dunghill, on Tueſday the 15th of November.

Mrs. Violet. The box was brought in, and carried to the juſtice's; the conſtable, William Cox, has it. The priſoner lives about two ſtones throw from where the box was picked up.

Mr. Garrow. A great many people live much nearer? Yes.

WILLIAM COX *ſworn.*

I produce a tin box.

Green. This is the tin box I found.

Cox. Here is a certificate in it; I ſearched the priſoner, and found one guinea in his hand. (Produced.) This pocket-piece was on the table in the tap-room; the proſecutor told me to take it.

Mrs. Violet. I did not take notice of it, but the priſoner offered me ſuch a one as this that morning.

Proſecutor. This is my box, and my certificate and card. This medal is my property, part of what I loſt that evening; here is a particular ſcratch upon the head.

Mr. Garrow to Proſecutor. How many of theſe medals did you buy?—Three, there was never another in his ſhop; there is a ſcratch on the King's head ſide.

Do you mean a long one all down the crown?—It is not ſo very long.

Does it reach from the top to the bottom?—Almoſt.

And that is on the head ſide?—Yes.

That you are quite ſure of?—Yes.

So much for certainty; now it happens to be on the other ſide. When you ſpeak of the head, you do not mean the tail?—No.

(Shews him a guinea) Which is the head ſide of that?—(He points to the head ſide, and perſiſts in the ſcratch being on the head ſide.) I ſaw him chuck this medal on the floor.

Court to William Cox. That which you call the medal reſembles the half-guinea?—Yes? I found it on the table in the tap-room when I went in.

Court to Bryant. When you went out of the publick houſe in company with the priſoner, you ſay you went to get a lodging, and in a narrow place, a ſort of alley, he gave you a jerk, and put his hand in your pocket,

pocket, and took your property from you?—Yes.

Was there any other force made uſe of?—He took me by the ſhoulder.

PRISONER's DEFENCE.

I am ſorry to trouble the Court, but they took one guinea, a ſixpence, and a penny; the guinea I worked hard for I think I have a right to have: my defence is as this; I gave my maſter one guinea, and three pocket-pieces, a quarter before nine; I went out of this houſe with the proſecutor; the proſecutor had all his money at nine o'clock; the guinea and the three pocket-pieces I gave to my maſter before I went out with the proſecutor.

Court to Clamtree. What time was it?—It was near a quarter before nine that I received them of him at the Running Horſes tap-room; I never ſaw the proſecutor till the next day.

Priſoner. The proſecutor was gone backwards.

Court. Did the priſoner afterwards leave the Running Horſes?—He went home after us, I underſtand; the proſecutor was not in his company then.

(The priſoner called two witneſſes, who gave him a very good character.)

GUILTY, **Death.**

Tried by the firſt Middleſex Jury before Mr. Baron PERRYN.

(He was humbly recommended to mercy by the Jury, on account of his good character and ſimplicity.)

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10. JOHN SLACK was indicted for feloniouſly ſtealing, on the 5th day of November, fifty-ſix rabbit ſkins, value 25s. the goods of Meſſrs. William Borrodaile, Richardſon Borrodaile, and John Atkinſon.

WILLIAM BORRODAILE *ſworn.*

I am a furrier; I only know that thoſe ſkins were miſſing; they were miſſed on Monday the 7th.

JOHN THOMAS *ſworn.*

I am a furrier: on the 5th of November I was called down ſtairs, and found fifty-two ſkins offering for ſale by the priſoner; he had ſold my ſervant ſome in the morning of this day; I aſked him where he got them; he ſaid he bred them, that he kept a large number of rabbits; I told him he dried them very nice; he ſaid yes, he hung them up by the noſe to dry in the cellar; I then told him that would not do, for that they were foreign ſkins; I threatened to ſend him to the compter; and he then ſaid, that a man had given them to him to ſell; I told him to ſend for the man; he ſaid he did not know where to ſend for the man, as he had never ſeen him before: he came to me about ſeven o'clock in the evening.

JOHN LLOYD *ſworn.*

I am an apprentice to Mr. Thomas; I was preſent when the priſoner brought in the goods; I am ſure he is the man who ſold me ſome ſkins the ſame morning.

JOHN CHRISTIAN SCHRIEBER *ſworn.*

My lord, I am a ſervant to Meſſrs. Borrodaile; theſe ſkins are of the ſame quality of thoſe we loſt; theſe are Flemiſh ſkins.

Priſoner. Pleaſe you, my lord; coming from London-wall, a man gave me theſe ſkins to ſell, and ſaid, if I ſold them, he would give me a ſhilling; I do not know where to find him.

GUILTY. (Aged 19.)

Tranſported for ſeven years.

Tried by the London Jury before Mr. COMMON SERJEANT.

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11. JOHN WADE and ROBERT SMITH were indicted for feloniouſly ſtealing, on the 15th day of November laſt, one wooden

wooden tub, value 2d. and ſixty-nine pounds of butter, value 41s. the goods of Edward Davis.

PETER BUCKLAND *ſworn.*

I am ſervant to Mr. Davis, a cheeſe-monger, on Snow-hill: on the 15th of November I was unloading a cart of cheeſe at my maſter's door; the carman ſaid, I believe a man has taken away a firkin; it was Iriſh butter and ſalt; Mr. Robert Davis came to the door, and we purſued him to St. Sepulchre's church; and Smith ſaid to me, he is gone that way, pointing to the Old Bailey; I went up Giltſpur-ſtreet; I overtook Wade, and pulled him by the ſkirt of his coat, and the firkin dropped off his ſhoulder; Smith ſtruck me with a bludgeon, which took the ſkin of my face; he was dreſſed in a ſmock frock; Mr. Davis then came up, and Smith knocked my maſter down; he lay upon his hands and face near half a minute; I am ſure to the firkin, the mark is 349; they made off when the people began to collect round us; I am ſure they are the men; I ſaw them again, about eleven that night, at the Sun, in Cow-croſs ſtreet; I was directed in that purſuit by the patroles; there I ſaw the priſoners.

ROBERT DAVIS *ſworn.*

I am brother to the proſecutor; I purſued two men up to the corner of Giltſpur-ſtreet; I heard the laſt witneſs crying murder! I went to his aſſiſtance, and I was knocked down; he was dreſſed in white, I believe, in a ſmock frock.

——— WILLEY *ſworn.*

I am a patrole; I went into a number of different houſes; I ſent the evidence Buckland into the ſign of the Sun, to get a penny-worth of beer; he came out again, and I went in and took them; there might be eighteen or nineteen people in the room, moſt of them thieves.

HENRY RICE *ſworn.*

I only know of the priſoners being taken out of the houſe.

Robert Dodd. It was light enough to diſcern their perſons, but I did not get near enough to identify which.

Buckland. While I was drinking my pennyworth of beer, I heard one of the priſoners ſay to one Douglas, if you had been with us, we ſhould have brought the butter away, and that it would have been ten hog a-piece: Smith ſaid one of the people was a luſty young fellow, but he had tipt him his gruel as he ought to have it,

Smith. Pleaſe you, my lord, I had been to the White-horſe cellar, to deliver a horſe; I returned about half paſt ſix; I have no witneſſes, they are in the country.

Wade. I never was out of Cow-croſs that night.

BOTH GUILTY.

Tranſported for ſeven years.

Tried by the London Jury before Mr. COMMON SERJEANT.

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12. BARTHOLOMEW WEST was indicted for ſtealing two ingots of braſs, value 10s. the property of George Penton the elder and George Penton the younger.

WILLIAM FARRELL *ſworn.*

I am a braſs-founder; I work with Mr. George Penton and Mr. George Penton, in New-ſtreet ſquare, Shoe-lane; they are braſs-founders: on Thurſday the 27th of October I had occaſion to go to the privy, between five and ſix in the evening, and I ſaw an ingot of braſs tucked into a hole under the ſtairs that lead up into another ſhop; the neceſſary is under the ſtairs, and under the ſtairs alſo is that hole where I ſaw the ingot; I informed John Walton, and ſhewed it my maſter; Walton marked the braſs in my preſence, and I put the braſs there again, and ſaid nothing; we watched on Thurſday night, Walton and Mr. Penton, and me; nothing happened then; we watched again on Friday night; and between eight and nine in the evening I watched him; I was going on the paſſage, and met my

my maſter; and the priſoner was then in the vault, as my maſter told me; my maſter ſtood one ſide the ſtreet, and I went the other and ſtood, and I ſaw my maſter have hold of the priſoner, with the ingot of braſs; my maſter called, I have got him, I have got him! The priſoner was ſecured, and I ſaw the conſtable take the ingot of braſs from the waiſtband of his breeches and the flap of his apron; I obſerved the mark on it then, which was put on by Walton the day before; I am poſitive that was the ſame mark; the priſoner had worked for my maſter about two months.

JOHN WALTON *ſworn.*

Depoſed to the ſame effect.

GEORGE PENTON *ſworn.*

I am a braſs-founder, in New-ſtreet ſquare; my partner's name is George Penton. (Depoſed to the ſame effect.) I have the punch that marked it; it was marked with our mark; this is new braſs; the conſtable has had it ever ſince.

SAMUEL SIMPSON *ſworn.*

I am a conſtable; I have had the braſs ever ſince in my poſſeſſion; it is in the ſame ſtate in which I received it.

Proſecutor. There were neither promiſes nor threats uſed to induce him to confeſs.

GUILTY.

Tranſported for ſeven years.

Tried by the London Jury, before Mr. COMMON SERJEANT.

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13. SAMUEL JENKINS was indicted for ſtealing, on the 17th of November laſt, 20 lb. weight of Glouceſter cheeſe, value 7s. the property of Charles Price.

SARAH PRICE *ſworn.*

I am the wife of Charles Price; he is a carpenter: on the 17th of November we loſt ſome cheeſe; it was kept in the ſhop; I ſaw the priſoner take it about half paſt ten in the morning; I aſked him what he wanted; he ſtood upon the window; he took two cheeſes, and ran away with them; he was taken about ten minutes afterwards; he dropped them in my ſight.

THOMAS BRAND *ſworn.*

I ſaw the priſoner, with the cheeſes under his arm; I have kept them ever ſince.

(Proſecutrix depoſes to them.)

Priſoner. I was coming from work; I went into the Angel to borrow a ſhilling; they ſtopt another man before they did me.

GUILTY. *Whipped.*

Tried by the ſecond Middleſex Jury before Mr. RECORDER.

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14. MATTHEW GILMORE was indicted for ſtealing, on the 24th of November, two linen ſhirts, value 2s. the property of William Germain.

WILLIAM GERMAIN *ſworn.*

I live at Enfield pariſh; I loſt two linen ſhirts off the line, on the 24th of November; they were found on the priſoner; I did not ſee them taken from him.

BENJAMIN HARVEY *ſworn.*

I was coming from Enfield-highway, and I heard a woman cry Stop thief! that man has got my ſhirts; and I ſtopped the priſoner; and my mate, John Smith, came up as the priſoner gave me the ſhirts; I aſked him for them.

(The ſhirts produced.)

GEORGE LAW *ſworn.*

I am conſtable; I produce the ſhirts; Harvey delivered them to me; he brought the priſoner with him.

MARY GERMAIN *ſworn.*

I know theſe ſhirts to be my huſband's; they were taken off the line wet; I did not know the priſoner before my little girl told me that a man was taking them; and I ran after

after him, and ſaw Harvey and Smith coming, and they ſtopped him.

JOHN SMITH *ſworn.*

I was with Harvey when the proſecutor's wife was running after the priſoner, and we purſued him and took him; he ſaid, What do you want? I conducted him to the conſtable; it was not more than two minutes after the ſhirts were taken off the line.

PRISONER's DEFENCE.

I was coming from Hertford, and I was coming along; a man overtook me, and travelled about four miles with me; he wanted to borrow ſixpence, and I lent him it; he ſaid he lived at a houſe on the road; he went into a houſe; he ſaid his ſiſter lived there; and I walked on; and he came out, and gave the bundle to me; and this woman called *Halloobulloo*, we have a thief now, and I *will* get enough to keep me all the winter; they took my property from me; I am a ſtranger in this country, I came from Ireland.

Court to Mrs. Germain. Had he any bundle?—Nothing but the ſhirts.

Jury. Was any other man with him at the time?—No perſon; he had the ſhirts on his arm.

GUILTY. (Aged 60.)

Tranſported for ſeven years.

Tried by the ſecond Middleſex Jury before Mr. Baron PERRYN.

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15. WILLIAM LEACH was indicted for feloniouſly ſtealing, on the 9th day of November, one watch, the inſide caſe made of metal, and the outſide caſe covered with ſhagreen, value 20s. one metal ſeal, value 2d. one key, value 1d. and one ſteel watch-key, value 2d. the property of Sarah Bourne, ſpinſter.

SARAH BOURNE *ſworn.*

I am a ſingle woman; I loſt a watch; I live at No. 7, Wardour-ſtreet, Soho; I hung up my watch in the parlour; it was on the 9th of November; I ſaw it about five minutes before the priſoner came in; I keep a tallow-chandler's ſhop.

JOHN JOYCE *ſworn.*

As I was making candles, I ſaw the priſoner at the bar running acroſs the ſhop; I laid hold of him; he had the watch in his left-hand; he threw it into the parlour.

—— SANDERS *ſworn.*

I went into the parlour; I ſaw the watch, and picked it up; Mrs. Bourne was holding him by the collar.

Joyce. I had the watch a little time, and gave it to Sanders.

(Sarah Bourne depoſes to the watch.)

PRISONER's DEFENCE.

I had a holiday that day, and went to get change for a ſhilling in their ſhop; I knocked with my foot ſeveral times; and, coming out, this young man charged me with ſtealing the watch; I have ſeveral reſpectable witneſſes to my character.

(The priſoner called five witneſſes, who gave him a good character.)

GUILTY.

Tranſported for ſeven years.

Tried by the ſecond Middleſex Jury before Mr. RECORDER.

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16. WILLIAM SMITH was indicted for feloniouſly ſtealing, on the 20th of November, forty-nine pounds of grain tin, value 10s. the property of Sarah Swabey.

STEPHEN SWABEY *ſworn.*

The priſoner was my mother's ſervant; on the 20th of November, William Black came to me, and informed me he had apprehended a man with a quantity of this tin about him, which he not giving a ſatisfactory account of, they detained him; he was aſked what he was going to do with it; he

ſaid

ſaid he worked for Mr. Swabey, of Vauxhall, and that his maſter had ordered him to take it to a Mr. Howard, a coachmaker, in Long-acre; the priſoner was a labourer in the manufactory; one branch of his buſineſs was to boil tin and lead together, which he had been employed in on Tueſday night: on the information, I went to look at the aſhes which the priſoner had to burn; on looking at them, I found them deficient in quality, and diſcovered they wanted the due proportion of tin; we aſcertain the quality by the colour of the aſhes; I went to Mr. Addington, in Bow-ſtreet; I was there during the priſoner's examination; he confeſſed he had taken it various times, and ſold it to Mr. Allen; he was not promiſed any favour.

WILLIAM BLACK *ſworn.*

I am a patrol, under the direction of Sir Sampſon Wright; I ſtopped the priſoner at the bar with this tin on his ſhoulder; I aſked him what it was; he ſaid, tin; he worked for Mr. Swabey, near Vauxhall, and was going to take it to Mr. Howard, in Long-acre; I took it off, and examined it; I ſaid he might be right, but I would go with him to Mr. Howard; I left him at a public-houſe, and went to a coachmaker, who ſaid coachmakers did not uſe it; I took him then to the office, and he was committed; there was no ſuch perſon as Howard to be found.

PRISONER's DEFENCE.

My Lord, as I was coming home, laſt Lord-Mayor's day, I ſtepped upon this tin, in return home; I took it next day and ſold as much as came to half-a-crown: my wife was taken in labour, and ſaid, you may as well go and ſell the remainder of this tin: I was going to Charing-croſs, and the patroles ſtopped me.

GUILTY.

Tranſported for ſeven years.

Tried by the ſecond Middleſex Jury before Mr. RECORDER.

17. WILLIAM ALLEN was indicted for feloniouſly ſtealing, on the 19th of November, thirty pounds weight of lead, value 4s. the property of Thomas Chorley, affixed to a certain dwelling of his, againſt the ſtatute.

THOMAS CHORLEY *ſworn.*

I am a carpenter; I miſſed ſome lead from ſome houſes I had recently built in Union-ſtreet, Shadwell; I miſſed it firſt on the 21ſt; I ſaw the lead on the following day at the office; I fitted the lead the day after to the place from whence I had loſt it; I knew it by the end I worked down, and from the nail-holes; I have no doubt of it being my lead; it had been laid down about two months; the piece weighed about thirty pounds; the piece I deſcribe completely filled up the vacancy.

WILLIAM TURNER *ſworn.*

I know the priſoner at the bar; I met him at the head of Old Gravel-lane, with the lead in a ſack, on the 21ſt of November, about four in the evening; I aſked him what he had got there; he ſaid, a *bit of blue*; that is *ſlang* for lead; I do not know whether any examination was taken in writing before the magiſtrate; he ſaid he had had it ſeven months: at the public-houſe he ſaid he had an eſtate in Hertfordſhire; the lead has been kept in the office under my charge; I marked it with a W.

WILLIAM DUNCH *ſworn*

I took the lead from the office, and fitted it to the place; the hole does not run right through, it runs upon an angle; I can only ſwear to one piece of the lead; they were detached pieces of lead, ſome fitting one houſe and ſome another.

OLIVER BURTON *ſworn.*

I was alſo preſent. (Depoſes to the ſame effect.)

JOHN FRANCIS *ſworn.*

I am a plumber; I have no ſhadow of doubt but it is the identical lead fitted to

Mr.

Mr. Chorley's houſe; I have taken a great deal of pains to ſatisfy myſelf.

Priſoner. I bought five pieces of lead, and gave 18s. a hundred for the lead; I bought it to ſend into Hertfordſhire, where I was building a little tenement; Turner is only a cadee; he is a thief; he has been in Newgate; he ſtole beer and pork; he is well known in Newgate.

Turner. I was convicted of an aſſault, and confined in Newgate; it was upon a girl, for ſtriking her; it was not for an attempt to commit a rape.

GUILTY.

Tranſported for ſeven years.

Tried by the ſecond Middleſex Jury before Mr. RECORDER.

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18. JAMES FOOT was indicted for feloniouſly ſtealing, on the 29th day of November, two bay coach-horſes, value 5l. the property of Sarah La Hoope.

Second Count—lays them to be the property of John Hall.

JOSEPH LOURN *ſworn.*

I am coachman to Mrs. La Hoope. On Saturday, Monday, and Tueſday, the priſoner at the bar came to me into the ſtable, and ſaid to me, Mr. Hall is going to ſend for your horſes very early on the Thurſday, that they were to go upon a job, which he (the priſoner) was to drive, for a ſingle gentleman who came from the Weſt-Indies, and who had had a job of Mr. Hall three years before he went to the Weſt-Indies; that he was to have 9s. a week of Mr. Hall, and 10s. 6d. a week board-wages; and to have two ſuits of livery; this paſſed on the Saturday: on the Monday following he told me Mr. Hall had not taken any ſtables yet, but he would take ſome ſoon; he wanted me to buy him a coach-dog; I really thought he was in Mr. Hall's ſervice; I ſaw him next morning, about ſix or ſeven; he told me Mr. Hall had ſent him for thoſe horſes; I told him I would give them a feed of corn before they ſet off; I aſked him if he would have a horſe-cloth upon each horſe; he ſaid no; Mr. Hall lives in Hamilton-ſtreet, Piccadilly; I ſaw him turn up the road to London; I told him I had half a mind to go to town with him; he ſaid there was no occaſion for that, Mr. Hall would be ſure to ſend the horſes in time; I delivered the horſes, but did not receive any in exchange; I ſhould not have delivered them, if I had not thought he had been employed and ſent by Mr. Hall.

JOHN HALL *ſworn.*

I live in Hamilton-ſtreet, Piccadilly; I had a pair of bay geldings in the employ of Mrs. La Hoope; I never employed the priſoner, or ever intimated to Mrs. La Hoope that I intended to change them; I certainly had an intention of changing Mrs. La Hoope's horſes, and that intention might have been known in my ſtables, as I had purchaſed a pair of black long-tailed horſes for her uſe.

CHARLES RIX *ſworn.*

I am a coachmaſter at Putney; the priſoner came to me about half paſt nine in the morning of the 29th; he ſaid he had been informed I wanted to buy a pair of coach horſes; I told him no; he ſaid they belonged to one Mrs. Feltham, of Bedford-ſquare, who was going to lay down her carriage; I aſked him the price; he ſaid twenty-five guineas a-piece; I offered him 30l.; he ſaid no, I will not take leſs than thirty guineas; I obſerved one lame, and then ſaid I would not ſtand word, but would give him only twenty-five guineas; he ſaid I ſhould have them, if I would give him two guineas for himſelf; I told him to put the horſes in the ſtable, and go into the houſe, and I would get the money, and pay him; I told the people about, that thoſe horſes were ſtolen, and deſired them to get a conſtable; the priſoner made his eſcape, and I purſued him to Barnes Common, and took him in a furze buſh.

Mrs.

Mr. Hall. The horſes which Mr. Rix brought to me, were thoſe I had let to Mrs. La Hoope.

GUILTY, Death. (Aged 21.)

Tried by the firſt Middleſex Jury before Mr. RECORDER.

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19. EDWARD BEAN, otherwiſe BROWN, was indicted for feloniouſly ſtealing, on the 22d day of November, one black gelding of the price of 8l. the goods of Thomas Dale.

JOHN MOTT *ſworn.*

I live with Mr. Dale, a ſtable-keeper, in Chiſwell-ſtreet; I am his head hoſtler. On the 22d of November, about half paſt four in the afternoon, the priſoner came to our ſtables, and called hoſtler; he aſked whether Mr. Richardſon had not a horſe ſtood there at livery? I replied, yes; he ſaid, Mr. Richardſon *have* recommended me for a horſe at any time; I told him I knew Mr. Richardſon, but that he was out of town; yes, the priſoner ſaid, he went out of town on the Sunday before; he ſaid, he wanted a horſe to go to Low Layton; and on his ſaying he came from Mr. Richardſon, I let him have a horſe; he again ſaid he wanted a horſe to go to Low Layton, on particular buſineſs; he ſhould return about eight o'clock in the evening; nothing was ſaid about the price; I lent him a bit of ſtick; when he got on to the horſe, he ſaid he was clerk and rider to ſome great ſhop in Cheapſide, and that his name was Brown: he mentioned the name of the ſhop, but I do not remember: it was a black gelding; I ſaw nothing more of him that evening; I ſaw the horſe again on the 25th, at Mr. Hopkins's ſtables, in Holborn; it is a repoſitory; my maſter bought him in ſpring. My reaſon for being particular about the time of his going, was, having a gentleman to go out about the ſame time, an old cuſtomer; it was half paſt four, or a little after.

Mr. Knapp, Priſoner's Counſel. It was half paſt four, on the 22d of November, rather duſkiſh?—Yes.

It was upon the faith of Mr. Richardſon's name, that you let him have a horſe?—Yes.

Were you the firſt perſon that ſpoke to the perſon that came from Richardſon?—No.

Are you ſure that he is the perſon?—Yes; the yard is very light, and it is lighted between five and ſix; the horſe was not hired generally, but to return that evening.

THOMAS HUMPHRIES *ſworn.*

I live with Mr. Thomas Hopkins; he keeps the repoſitory in Holborn. On the 19th of November, I was paying the men; the priſoner knocked at the compting-houſe door, when I was paying the men; I had ſeen him before; he put his head juſt in the door, and ſaid, I aſk your pardon for diſturbing you; I ſhall be glad to ſpeak with you; I ſtepped out, and ſaid, well, Sir, what is your pleaſure? ſays he, I will thank you to lend me a guinea; I replied I could not ſpare one, having a number of men to pay; he then aſked me if I had ſeen Mr. Wiſe? I ſaid, I will tell you what, Mr. Robins, I have ſome money to take to morrow; if I ſucceed, I will lend you a guinea; he came on the morrow; I told him I did not ſucceed, and could not lend him a guinea; about a fortnight before this, he told me he had a horſe or two to ſell; I told him, if he brought them, I would endeavour to ſell them for him, as for other gentlemen; he ſaid he had one, and that he ſhould bring him; this was on the 20th of November; on the 22d, Tueſday, about half paſt five o'clock, a few minutes under or over, he brought a black gelding; he told me that was it he ſpoke about; I ſaid, Sir, ſays I, what do you want for this; he rode it into the yard with a ſaddle and bridle on it; ſays he, this is a better than the other; and he booked it at eight guineas; he then ſaid he wanted ſome money on it; I told him

I had but a guinea in my pocket; he ſaid that would do for the preſent, but he muſt have ſome more in the evening; I told him I was going to Park-lane to receive ſome; if I ſucceeded, I would let him have ſome more; I told him I lent him the guinea; I did not lend it as a pawn-broker; I did not conſider the horſe a pawn for it; he aſked me when I ſhould return? I ſaid, in an hour; he aſked me if I ſhould ride that horſe he brought in? I ſaid, no, I had a hack of my own; I made it eleven o'clock before I came home; and not expecting to ſee him that night, as I could not ſee the aforeſaid Mr. Wiſe; and he was waiting under the window of my bed-chamber, behind a *pheaton*; he ſaid I had kept him waiting a long while; I ſaid I was ſorry for it; he aſked me if I had ſucceeded? and I told him no; he preſſed me very hard again, and ſaid he did not know what to do for money; I then told him I would endeavour to get him another guinea; I went to Mrs. Blick, who keeps the Bull and Gate, and borrowed the ſecond guinea; but in the mean time he left this letter; I have ſeen him write, and am certain this is his hand-writing; Mr. Hopkins gave me the letter the next morning; I gave him the ſecond guinea; he then aſked me where he ſhould ſettle the buſineſs; the time was fixed on the next evening at five; I was to give him eight guineas for the horſe for myſelf; at five he came; I told him I would ſettle in half an hour; he came, and I aſked him to go to the public-houſe, as there were ſome gentlemen in the compting-houſe: Wiſe was there, and ſaid how do you do, Mr. Bean? this convinced me he had done wrong, as he entered his name Robins, and gave me that name always; he called Mr. Wiſe out of the public houſe, and they went out together; I kept cloſe to him; he kept drawing out of the yard, as it were, a little at a time; and I ſaid, Mr. Robins, I muſt know how you came by this horſe? I rather ſuſpect you; he then ſaid it belonged to ſome foreign gentleman, whoſe name he mentioned, but I do not recollect, who is gone abroad; and I aſked him if he knew any body that did know the horſe? he made no other anſwer, but that the gentleman was gone to France; then I aſked him for his addreſs? he pulled a pencil and a bit of paper out of his pocket, and wrote No. 4, or ſome other number, in St. Martin's-le-grand; I told him that was not a plain direction for me; if he would go into the compting-houſe, and write it with pen and ink, I would endeavour to be convinced if it was right; he then ſaid he had a lady waiting for him at the gateway end; that he would go and ſpeak to her, and return immediately; I then told him I ſhould be plain with him; I would not let him go from me; he then went with me into the compting-houſe, and owned his addreſs was fictitious; I then told him I would heſitate no longer, but he ſhould give a ſatisfactory account at Bow-ſtreet; he told me he thought it might be ſettled without going there; if he repaid me the two guineas, would I be then ſatisfied; I then told him it was a ſerious buſineſs, and ought to be brought to light; and nothing but going to Bow-ſtreet would ſatisfy me; I ſent for a coach, and took him there; going along, he preſſed me very hard to ſettle it; hoped I would take it into conſideration, and not be the ruin of a young man; I told him it was not my intention to injure him, only to have a ſatisfactory account to the juſtice; for had I not taken him, it might have been a ſerious thing to myſelf: before the juſtice, he owned the horſe belonged to Mr. Taylor, of Chiſwell-ſtreet: Mott came and ſaw the horſe; it was the ſame horſe; the letter I received on the 23d, about ten o'clock; it was left the 22d.

Mr. Knapp. Mr. Humphries, what ſort of a ſtable-yard is this of Mr. Hopkins's? —It is a place for ſale and a livery-yard.

It is a repoſitory, is not it?—By private contract; we do not ſell by public auction, nor have not done for theſe four years.

The cuſtom then of the repoſitory is, to take in horſes from any body that comes, without enquiring any thing at all about them?

them?—Not with us; we always take the addreſs.

What capacity might you be in?—Foreman to the saleſman, about twelve years.

Anything you did in the yard, was on Mr. Hopkins's account?—No doubt of it.

How long have you known the priſoner?—From the 10th of November; I ſaw him again the 19th, by bringing a horſe of Mr. Jocelyn's of London-wall.

On the 19th of November, there was ſome converſation about a horſe, which horſe was not owned till Monday laſt, after the priſoner was apprehended?—He brought no horſe before the 22d.

Was not there a horſe that he was charged with before the magiſtrate?—Yes.

What became of that charge?—I cannot ſay.

Do not you know it was diſcharged?—I do not; Mr. Jocelyn did ſwear to his horſe; and on Monday laſt he was to have done ſomething in the buſineſs.

What paſſed between you and the priſoner on that other warrant?—I bought that horſe and had a receipt for it.

Let us look at the receipt; *(produces it)*; I ſee by this receipt you gave him ſeven guineas?—I did.

I ſee it is received of Mr. Humphries, ſeven guineas for a black gelding?—This was in my own name: but it never was unknown to Mr. Hopkins; we never hinder any body bringing horſes to us for ſale, eſpecially if we have any ſuſpicion; I certainly had ſuſpicions, or would not let him have had one guinea; I made no enquiries, becauſe I thought he would come again; the firſt enquiry I made, was of Mr. Wiſe; and if he had come to me for fifty ſhillings, without a horſe, I ſhould have let him have it on his name. Mr. Wiſe did come; the priſoner and he were acquainted.

When he firſt brought the horſe, what did he particularly ſay?—He brought a black horſe, and ſaid this is the black horſe I told you of; and that that was one of the pair that he drove in his curricle; I then aſked him whether it was a ſound one or not; he ſaid, yes; there was nothing ailed him, only a little hair was rubbed off the ſide with the harneſs, which he pointed to me, but I did not ſee it; and he compared it with the other horſe, and I then thought they were a pair.

Did he tell you when he left them, that he left them for ſale?—No doubt of it; for ſale for eight guineas.

Did not the priſoner ſay that he would not ſell him, but would pay for his keep; did not he tell you that he would not ſell him, but would pay for his keep?—I did not hear any ſuch thing mentioned; he ſaid he was diſtreſſed or would not ſell it.

Did you take notice of this laſt horſe?—Yes, I believe it was an intire black one, only a ſingle ſtar in the forehead; it was not material for me to take particular notice.

You have been uſed to a great many horſes, and have ſeen a great many?—Yes.

Of courſe you know that a white leg before or behind is a particular mark?—When people take particular notice of it it is, there is no doubt of it.

How long had you the horſe in your cuſtody?—Six nights.

Of courſe you had an opportunity of ſeeing him many times?—I had and I had not; he was put by in a corner ſtall till an owner came; I ſaw him ſtand in the ſtable, and went to ſee whether the horſe was fed.

If the horſe had had a white leg, ſhould not you have taken notice of it?—If I had had any particular reaſon; I remember the horſe; but I could not ſwear to that other horſe; nor I do not know that I could ſwear to this.

Which horſe was chopped away?—The other horſe was in my cuſtody about two days.

Court. You frequently ſaw this horſe fed?—Yes.

Do you undertake to ſwear that that was the horſe brought by the priſoner, and ſeen by Mott?—Yes.

Mr. Knapp. How often have you ſeen this man write?—Only once.

PRISONER's

PRISONER's DEFENCE.

I hired the horſe of Mr. Dale and of John Mott; I did not aſk him if he knew Mr. Richardſon; it was another perſon whom I have not yet ſeen; Mott only led the horſe out of the ſtable; I never mentioned Low Layton, nor any place; I only applied for a horſe to take a ride; it was not four o'clock when I was there; I rode a conſiderable time, I am certain it was above an hour, on the Iſlington road: I found the horſe went ſo very lame, after I had rode him about an hour, that I rode him into Hopkins's livery ſtables: I then ſaw Mr. Humphries, and begged of him to let me put that horſe up there, but that I could by no means ſell him, neither would I: as he told me before that he knew Mr. Wiſe very well, and on his credit would lend me twenty pounds, if I wanted it, I aſked him to lend me a guinea: he did ſo, and added he was no pawn-broker: he did not conſider the horſe as brought there for ſale: this was the converſation that took place under the compting-houſe window: I never went into the houſe. With reſpect to the horſe being booked for ſale, Mr. Humphries has an undoubted right to write what he pleaſes in his own book: it was never my intention to ſell him, nor to leave him as a pledge: the ſecond time I called, I wrote that night requeſting him to lend me eight guineas: I never conceived it to be lent on the horſe; and I am ſure Mr. Humphries does not: I am ſure he cannot; I called again after I had left the note, and Mr. Humphries was not at home: but he preſently after came home, and I then aſked him to oblige me with the money? he ſaid, no, he had been diſappointed: he had been after a Mr. Aſſingham, a ſheriff's officer, to arreſt a Mr. Charles Bowyer, that owed him thirty-ſeven pounds: but he could not get it then: I aſked him to lend me another guinea? he ſaid he would: he went and borrowed it: that I believe Mr. Humphries has ſtated before.

Court to Mott. Are you ſure you might not make a miſtake, and he ſay his name was Bean inſtead of Brown?

Priſoner. That is what I told him.

Mott. I am ſure he did not.

FRANCIS LILL *ſworn.*

I live at the Bell-ſavage-yard. I have known him about two years, always a genteel young man, and kept the beſt company: as far as ever I ſaw, a very honeſt young man.

Mr. Baron Perryn. In what way of life has he lived?—I fancy, moſtly on his relations: I have always underſtood ſo.

Is he of no trade or profeſſion?—Yes; I have known him very induſtrious in drawing maps, and getting ſo much a week for them.

Where did he live?—He lodged in the Old Bailey, and different parts of the town.

Court to Humphries. He had talked to you of having two ſtone colts?—Yes: it was not when he brought this horſe; it was when he brought the firſt horſe: I did not take this to be one of theſe two ſtone colts.

What did you ſell the firſt horſe he brought you for?—I did not ſell him: we in general keep an errand-poney for one of our lads to ride on. A man that buys poſt chaiſes had a horſe, and I exchanged with Perkins: he gave me two guineas and the poney, which I conſidered as ſix guineas, at a fair valuation.

GUILTY, Death. (Aged 25.)

Tried by the firſt Middleſex Jury before Mr. Baron THOMPSON.

N. B. In this caſe of Edward Bean, otherwiſe Brown, Mr. Knapp moved in arreſt of judgment, on the ground, that the addition of the priſoner was put to the alias dictus, and not to the ſubſtantive name; and that therefore it did not appear on the face of the record, from whence the jury were to be collected, which by right it ought; and therefore that there was

was uncertainty apparent on the record: the Court, upon hearing the objection, thought there was weight in it, and ſaid they would reſpite the judgement till the next ſeſſions, to look into the caſes on the ſubject; and if the Court had then any doubts, they would ſave the caſe for the opinion of the Judges.

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20. CHARLES ELLIS was indicted for ſtealing, on the 21ſt of November laſt, one glaſs lamp, value 2s. the property of Joſeph Lucas and Chriſtopher Spencer.

RICHARD CHARLE *ſworn.*

I am employed by Meſſrs. Lucas and Spencer, the contractors: on Monday the 21ſt of November, at Spring-gardens, about three in the afternoon, there was a ladder raiſed to the lamp-iron; the priſoner was coming down, and on the laſt round; he had a tin oil-pot, and this glaſs, under his arm, which I took from him; the man went away; I ſaid to him, what are you going to do with that lamp; he aſked if it was mine; I ſaid it was; how do you know that, ſays he, have you a mark on it; yes, there is a mark on it, ſays I, for you took it out of that iron; then, ſays he, if it is yours, I will put it up again; it is not yours, ſays he; it is mine, ſays I, and has a mark; then, ſays he, I will put it up for you; no, ſays I, I will ſave you that trouble; give it to me: what are you going to do with me, ſays he; I do not know, ſays I; if you will come along with me, we will decide whether it is your lamp or mine; ſays I, give it me; no, ſays he, I will put it up; I took the lamp out of his hand, and came home; he went away; I did not attempt to ſtop him then, as I thought him too much to encounter, and it was a private place; I did not ſee the priſoner till the next evening, about ten minutes after five, at Charing-croſs; he was about his buſineſs, coming up to light the lamps round the ſtatue, but ſomebody had lighted them; I was there to watch him, with my father and an officer; when we took him, he ſaid nothing: the lamp-iron had no lamp in it.

(The lamp produced and depoſed to by John Charle the elder.

Priſoner. I was in liquor.

Charle. He had no buſineſs that way, but he was in liquor; the priſoner works for Mr. Spikes, who contracts for the Board of Green Cloth.

Charle the elder. The priſoner ſaid, before the magiſtrate, he found it.

Court. Who contracts for the private lamps?—Not the maſter of this priſoner.

Priſoner. The lamplighter at the Horſe-guards aſked me to go to trim three lamps for him, and I could not, I was ſo much in liquor.

(The priſoner called two witneſſes to his character.)

GUILTY. *Whipped.*

Tried by the firſt Middleſex Jury before Mr. Baron THOMPSON.

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21. EDWARD WHEELER and GEORGE CLARKE were indicted for ſtealing, on the 29th of November laſt, 100 lb. weight of lead, value 10s. belonging to Thomas Maſters, and affixed to his dwelling-houſe, againſt the ſtatute.

THOMAS MASTERS *ſworn.*

I miſſed 100 lb. weight of lead over the ſhop-window, it appeared to be cut with a knife: a quarter before eight, the ſame morning, I was informed of two ſuſpected characters, and ſent my brother, I did not go myſelf; I ſaw the lead about half after ten, in the hands of the conſtable, his name is Lawrence; it correſponded to the holes, it was cut very exactly; I have no doubt but it was my lead.

——— MASTERS *ſworn.*

I opened my brother's ſhop a little after ſeven, and was informed the lead was gone; I looked, and miſſed it; I took down the ſhop-window, and did the buſineſs as in general; I was informed of and ſaw the two priſoners go through Swan-yard with the lead, in flats, ſome in a baſket and ſome

open, and each man had a parcel; they were in company together, following each other; I purſued them; they went on their old courſe; I got a conſtable in two minutes after I had ſeen them go into an old-iron ſhop, in Wheeler-ſtreet, Spitalfields; the conſtable's name is Lawrence; we went in; one piece of lead was out on the counter, and the other on the ground; I charged the priſoners, and left the lead there while we took them to the watch-houſe, and came back for the lead, which Mr. Lawrence has had in his poſſeſſion; I took home the pieces myſelf, and meaſured them, and found them exactly to correſpond.

JOHN TIREMAN *ſworn.*

I live in Holywell-ſtreet, Shoreditch; about two in the night of the 29th I heard a very great noiſe and a hammering at Mr. Maſters's houſe and mine; I live next door; me and my family were in bed; when the watchman came half paſt two, they were quiet; then it began again; I got up, and lifted up the ſaſh, and ſomebody jumped into the ſtreet from our houſe; I ſtruck a light, and looked, and the lead was gone from Mr. Maſters's houſe; I ſaw nobody then; in the morning, when the man was opening the ſhop, I ſaw the two priſoners with ſomething under their arms; it was juſt before they came into Swan-yard; I ſaw ſome bundles, but could not tell what it was; each of them had a parcel; John Maſters was at the door, and I told him to follow me; immediately I ſuſpected it to be the lead; I did not follow; Mr. Maſters's lead was brought home; I ſaw it fitted; I have no doubt.

ISAAC GABRIEL *ſworn.*

Court. Has he been ſworn on the Old Teſtament?—Yes, I have: I live in Wheeler-ſtreet; I keep an old-iron ſhop, as they call it; but I deal in rags the moſt; the two priſoners brought ſome lead to me on a Wedneſday morning, the 30th; I believe they were apprehended in my ſhop; they came together, and threw it down; as ſoon as I ſaw it, I told them it would not ſuit me; the proſecutor and another came in almoſt immediately, and took them into cuſtody; they came back for the lead; I did not know the priſoners; I had not dealt with them before, to the beſt of my memory.

JOHN LAWRENCE *ſworn.*

I am a conſtable; I apprehended the priſoners, and took charge of the lead; I marked it before it was tried; I was not preſent when it was tried; one piece of lead was in the ſcale [*Gabriel.* The lead lay in the ſcale before I ſaw it.] when I came in; Gabriel ſaid it would not ſuit him; I did not hear the priſoners ſay any thing about the lead; this is the ſame lead.

Tireman. I produce a piece of lead which matches to that which was ſtolen.

(The proſecutor depoſed to the lead.)

(All the lead taken appeared not to be found, but what was found did match.)

PRISONERS DEFENCE.

Coming down Holywell-lane to work, we ſaw the two bundles of lead, one in a baſket, and one in a cloth.

BOTH GUILTY.

Tranſported for ſeven years.

Tried by the ſecond Middleſex Jury before Mr. Baron THOMPSON.

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22. CHARLES RICHMOND was indicted for ſtealing, on the 16th of November, two cotton gowns, value 15s. and one muſlin handkerchief, value 18d. the property of Elizabeth Vickary, ſpinſter; and one cotton gown, value 10s. one check apron, value 18d. the property of Sarah Young, ſpinſter.

SARAH YOUNG *ſworn.*

I am a ſingle woman: I loſt the things mentioned in the indictment on Thurſday the 17th of November; I am ſervant to the Rev. Mr. Butler; I did not ſee them taken; they were all kept in one room, in the room of Elizabeth Vickary; ſome were on the bed; they were not in drawers; they were in the front garret; I left them

ſafe

ſafe on the Wedneſday afternoon; I ſaw them the next day, when I miſſed them; I know the things. Depoſes to a check apron and ſilk handkerchief.

——— MURRAY *ſworn.*

The priſoner was an apprentice of mine; he ran away from me on Sunday, and was home on Tueſday following; I locked him into my room; he got up this chimney; my houſe is next door but one to where the proſecutrix lives; he came down my chimney with theſe things, and got into the room again where I had locked him up; he told me that he had ſomething which would be of uſe to my wife; the firſt thing he ſhewed me was this gown; he ſhewed me all the things that are here produced; I ſent my wife to make enquiry where theſe things were loſt from.

Mrs. MURRAY *ſworn.*

I am the wife of the laſt witneſs. Depoſed to the ſame effect.

Sarah Young. It was from a ſmall hand againſt the wall, that I diſcovered the robbery firſt.

ANN MUNNS *ſworn.*

I go out to waſhing. I have known the priſoner from his birth: the boy has often ran away from me.

Priſoner. My lord, he has ſent me out a begging; I have brought him eight ſhillings in one day.

ROBERT MAIN *ſworn.*

I am beadle of Mary-le-bone pariſh. I do not know that ever I ſaw him begging; I have ſeen him about the ſtreets frequently.

Murray. I never ſent the priſoner out begging.

GUILTY. *Whipped.*

Recommended by the Jury, and ſent by the Court to the Philanthropick Society.

Tried by the ſecond Middleſex Jury before Mr. RECORDER.

23. JOHN NORMAN was indicted for feloniouſly ſtealing, on the 14th day of November laſt, two pewter pint pots, value 1s. one pewter half-pint pot, value 6d. the goods of Jeremiah Pidgeon.

JEREMIAH PIDGEON *ſworn.*

I keep the Magpye, in Alderſgate-ſtreet. I loſt the things mentioned in the indictment.

HENRY BOLT *ſworn.*

The priſoner came into my tap-room, the Griffin, Long-lane, Smithfield, about twelve o'clock, the 14th of November, and called for a pennyworth of half and half in a pint pot; my waiter miſſed the pot; my wife inquired for it, and challenged the priſoner; ſhe took him by the collar, and took Mr. Pidgeon's pint pot and mine out of his pocket: the conſtable has had it ever ſince; his name is John Evans.

JOHN EVANS *ſworn.*

On the 14th of November, I was ſent for to take charge of the priſoner; I found a pint and half-pint in his pocket; I put him in the Compter, and then went to inform Mr. Pidgeon; I have kept the pots ever ſince. Produces them.

(Pidgeon depoſes to the pots.)

I miſſed the pots about eleven o'clock the ſame day, before I ſaw the conſtable; my name is on them; the pots are mine; I never ſold any of that deſcription.

PRISONER's DEFENCE.

I found theſe pots at the corner of Long-lane; I met an acquaintance; he aſked me to take part of a pint of purl? I ſaid I had no objection: I went into Bolt's, and there Mrs. Bolt accuſed me; I ſaid I had nobody's pots but Mr. Pidgeon's, and I am going to take them home.

GUILTY.

Tranſported for ſeven years.

Tried by the London Jury, before Mr. RECORDER.

24. JOHN

24. SARAH WHITLOCK was indicted for ſtealing, on the 19th of November, one copper tea-kettle, value 2s. and two quart pewter pots, value 1s. the goods of William Chambers.

SARAH CHAMBERS *ſworn.*

We loſt a tea-kettle and two quart pots; I found them on the priſoner in the waſh-houſe; ſhe was a ſtranger; I ſaw ſhe had a parcel in her apron; I aſked her what ſhe had there? ſhe ſaid, nothing belonging to me; I inſiſted on ſeeing what ſhe had got.

WILLIAM STEPHENS *ſworn.*

I only produce the things.

GUILTY.

Fined 1s. and impriſoned ſix months.

Tried by the London Jury before Mr. RECORDER.

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25. JOHN SMAY was indicted for ſtealing, on the 29th of November laſt, four yards of muſlin, value 6s. and one yard of calico, value 1s. the property of Rebecca Sale, ſpinſter.

REBECCA SALE *ſworn.*

On Tueſday, the 29th of November, about the middle of Fleet-ſtreet, the priſoner at the bar ſnatched the things mentioned in the indictment from under my arm, and ran away; I purſued him, and ſaw him throw the parcel down; the priſoner never was out of my ſight; I am quite clear that is the man.

A CONSTABLE *ſworn.*

I produce the goods; I have had them ever ſince.

(Sale depoſes to them.)

HENRY HORSFALL *ſworn.*

The young woman was purſuing the priſoner; he threw a paper parcel away; I told her to pick it up; I purſued him and took him.

PRISONER's DEFENCE.

Pleaſe you my lord, I was coming up Fleet-ſtreet, and I ſaw a congregation of people aſſembled, and I went to ſee as another might do, and they took me up.

He called one witneſs.

GUILTY.

Fined 1s. and impriſoned one month.

Tried by the London Jury before Mr. RECORDER.

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26. JOSEPH LOCKLEY was indicted for ſtealing, on the 28th of November laſt, one ounce of wool and beaver, value 1s. the property of Thomas Ley.

THOMAS LEY *ſworn.*

I am a hat-maker. On the 28th of November, the priſoner came to work as uſual; I gave him his work as uſual; he took it up in the garret to bow it; I happened to examine it, and found that he had taken ſome beaver, and that he had taken out of the body, ſome material articles, to replace the beaver; on miſſing it, I ſent my ſon to order him down ſtairs; I told him I ſuſpected he had robbed me, and deſired to know whether he would ſuffer me to ſearch him: the conſtable came; he was ſearched by force at firſt; at length he conſented, and we found this beaver; he then fell down on his knees, and ſaid, the coney wool I bought of a journeyman; the beaver is yours; I cannot be poſitive to the coney wool.

——— EVANS *ſworn.*

I am a conſtable. I was ſent for to take charge of the priſoner; I produce the materials.

PRISONER's DEFENCE.

My lord, I had three rabbit-ſkins at home, which I intended to convert into a hat for one of my children.

The priſoner called his maſter and two more witneſſes who gave him a good character.

GUILTY.

Recommended by proſecutor, having a wife and three children.

Fined 1s. *and impriſoned twelve months.*

Tried by the London Jury before Mr. RECORDER.

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27. JOHN DICKEMAN and JOHN HEYTER were indicted for feloniouſly ſtealing, on the 4th of November, eight live ducks, value 8s. the goods of George Mutter.

GEORGE

GEORGE MUTTER *ſworn.*

I am a farmer. The ducks were loſt on Friday evening, the 4th of November; I live at Willſden; I ſaw them on the 10th following, at Bow-ſtreet; I know the ducks to be mine; there were two alike; they had black feathers round the breaſt; there were two drakes, one old one and one young one; they were all alive when I loſt them.

JOHN CRIDLAND *ſworn.*

I am a patrole belonging to Sir Sampſon Wright. On the 4th of November, in the evening, about ſeven o'clock, I was on the Kilburn road; I met with the two priſoners at the bar; they were coming towards town; I ſuppoſe this might be three miles from Mutter's houſe; I ſtopped them, and aſked Dickeman what he had there? he ſaid, ducks, and had bought them at Kenſington; I ſaid, this is not the way from Kenſington; I found four ducks on him; he ſaid he bought them out of a country cart; I took them into cuſtody, and placed them in the watch-houſe; there were ſixteen ſnares for catching hares, and a braſs candleſtick, found on Dickeman.

——— BAKER *ſworn.*

Depoſed to the ſame effect, only that he underſtood Dickeman to have ſaid he bought them at Kilburn, inſtead of Kenſington.

PRISONER DICKEMAN's DEFENCE.

I was coming along the road, and met a man with a baſket of ducks; this young man bought four ducks for four and ſixpence and a pot of beer; I came up behind, and bought the other four.

Cridland. On my return, I took them into a new public-houſe; he never pointed out any perſon of whom they bought them.

PRISOEER HEYTER's DEFENCE.

I bought the four at Kenſington.

BOTH GUILTY.

Tranſported for ſeven years.

Tried by the ſecond Middleſex Jury before Mr. RECORDER.

28. JAMES DOLAN was indicted for ſtealing, on the 8th of November, a chair-cuſhion, value 5s. the goods of William Barton.

WILLIAM BARTON *ſworn.*

I am a chairman. I loſt a chair-cuſhion on the 8th of November, from the King's Head, Albemarle-ſtreet; I heard my chair move, and went out, and ſaw the priſoner run away with this cuſhion under his arm; I purſued him, and called ſtop thief! the watchman got hold of him; he never was out of my ſight, nor was he ever ten yards from me. (Produces the cuſhion and depoſes to it.) The priſoner threw the cuſhion away; I am certain he is the man.

Priſoner. I leave myſelf to the mercy of the Court.

GUILTY. *Whipped.*

Tried by the ſecond Middleſex Jury before Mr. Baron PERRYN.

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29. JAMES FAGAN was indicted for feloniouſly ſtealing, on the 12th day of November, eighteen buſhels of coals, value 12s. the goods of Thomas Fletcher.

And MARTHA LAMBERT was indicted for feloniouſly receiving the ſame, knowing them to have been ſtolen.

(Mr. Knowles opened the caſe.)

RICHARD SLOANE *ſworn.*

I am ſervant to Mr. Fletcher. I took down ſome coals on the 12th of November, to Execution Dock; I left the delivering a note to Fagan, and deſired him to put the barge in, and deliver the coals, as ſoon as it was high water; on Saturday night, about eight o'clock, I again ſaw the barge; on Sunday morning, I went on board, and miſſed coals out of the middle room and fore room, but none out of the ſtern-room.

Mr. Garrow, Priſoner's Counſel. I take it for granted, there was a great deal of the ſame kind of coals in the pool?—Yes.

Fagan has been accuſtomed to this buſineſs?—Yes.

JOHN

JOHN HUMPHRIES *ſworn.*

I am foreman to Mr. Fletcher. On Sunday morning, I went and diſcovered the barge had been robbed: on Monday morning, I went to Fagan's lodging; he was in bed; when they told him I was come, he ſaid, lord have mercy! what could induce me to do this? he never denied it: he was taken before the magiſtrate, and was committed.

THOMAS TERRY *ſworn.*

I am a waterman. I ſaw Fagan and two others at work in a barge belonging to Mr. Fletcher, in the evening of the 12th of November, between ſix and ſeven; they carried ſome coals to Green Bank, to a green-ſtall; I ſaw nine ſacks taken away, after which they went away; Fagan filled up; I helped up one ſack.

Mr. Garrow. How much did you receive for your ſhare?—Nothing.

WILLIAM ELBY *ſworn.*

I am an officer at Shadwell. I went to Mrs. Lambert's, at Green Bank; we went into the ſhed; Mr. Humphries was with me; he ſaid, where did you get them? ſhe ſaid they were brought her at one ſhilling a buſhel, as ſweepings.

Priſoner Fagan ſaid in his defence, that he never left the barge; and the coals he delivered, he thought was for the completion of his orders; that when he went on ſhore, a man in the tap-room threw down four ſhillings, and told him to take it, which by much perſuaſion he did, but could not judge what they were given him for, till he was apprehended.

MARTHA LAMBERT, NOT GUILTY.

JAMES FAGAN, GUILTY.

The jury recommended him on account of his age.

Fined 1s. *and impriſoned ſix months.*

Tried by the ſecond Middleſex Jury before Mr. Baron PERRYN.

30. EDWARD BARNES was indicted for feloniouſly making an aſſault upon the king's highway, on Thomas James, on the 14th of November laſt, and putting him in fear, and feloniouſly taking from his perſon, and againſt his will, one guinea and five ſhillings, his property.

THOMAS JAMES *ſworn.*

I am an attorney in Stamford-ſtreet, over Black-friar's-bridge. On the 14th of November laſt, I went up to Piccadilly about four in the afternoon; I had occaſion to go to receive 152l. of the father of the priſoner; his father kept a public-houſe oppoſite St. James's Church; the 152l. was for the debt and coſts of a judgment in an action in which I was concerned; I ſaw the father; he aſked me to walk into a parlour; I ſtaid with him ſome time; he told me he expected to receive the money by ſix o'clock, to pay me between ſix and ſeven; I had been previouſly to Weſtminſter, and had not dined; and drinking ſome rum and water, I found myſelf exceedingly intoxicated, and deſired a coach might be got; a coach was got; it might be about ſeven or eight o'clock; I directed the coachman to drive me to my own houſe; I am not certain, but pretty ſure, nobody was with me in the coach; I found, inſtead of driving me home, they drove me to a houſe in the Strand; I was alone in the coach; I do not know whether I told the coachman to ſtop in the Strand, but he ſaid I ordered him to do ſo; the coach ſtopped at a public houſe near St. Clement's Church; as far as I can recollect, I was angry with the coachman for ſtopping; words enſued between me and the coachman; I went into the public-houſe; the coachman was there; I came out afterwards to get into the coach, between Piccadilly and the Strand; the priſoner got into the coach; I recollect that he was on the coach-box, and it rained; he ſays, and ſo does the coachman, that I invited him into the coach; I think I did not, but am not certain; the priſoner was in the public-houſe, and ſo was the coachman; I do not know how long we ſtaid, or what

what liquor we drank; the coachman and the priſoner came out of the houſe with me, when I came out to go home, which was my intent; the priſoner and others began puſhing and huſtling me; he ſaid (the priſoner) that I had robbed his father of 152l. he gave me a great deal of abuſive language; I obſerved, on a ſudden, that ſome of my money tumbled down upon the ſtones, out of my pocket; my pocket was turned inſide out; I ſaw part of the money on the ſtones; I ſtooped to pick it up; when I put my hand upon the money, the priſoner put his foot on the top of my hand: I was obliged to take it away; on my ſecond attempt to pick it up, he puſhed me away; he put his foot on the money; he ſtooped down, and picked up ſome of it; I am not ſure, whether all; I called out that I was robbed! ſome people came up, and deſired that he would be content with robbing me, without abuſing me; I rob him! ſays he; not I; he has received 152l. of my father, and has got it in his pocket now; he was taken to the watch-houſe; I had half a guinea and ſome ſilver; I had changed a guinea at Weſtminſter; I had no money left in my pocket, nor can I ſay exactly what I loſt; when he was taken to the watch-houſe, I told the conſtable I had loſt half a guinea and ſome ſilver; he was ſearched, and half a guinea and four and ſix-pence, or five ſhillings, was found upon him; whether it was mine, I could not ſay; he was aſked how he came by the money? he ſaid he had ſold clothes, as much as came to fifteen ſhillings; the next morning he wanted clean linen; the conſtable went to the priſoner's trunk; and when he returned, he aſked him how he came to pledge his breeches for a ſhilling on that day? he then ſaid he was not bound to give an account there; before the juſtice he ſaid I had given him the money.

Mr. Peat, Counſel for the Priſoner. You came to the watering-houſe about eight o'clock?—I believe ſo.

Did you go immediately into the public-houſe?—I do not know.

There are a number of women of the town about this place?—I do not know.

There were ſeveral people round you?—Yes; but none was near, or ſo near as the priſoner, when my pocket was turned out; it was him who huſtled me.

THOMAS TALBOYS *ſworn.*

I live facing Arundel-ſtreet, Strand, with my father; he is a hair-dreſſer; my mother ſent me out between nine and ten on an errand; and as I was coming back, I ſaw Mr. James, and Barnes, the priſoner at the bar, and the coachman, between my father's houſe and the colour-ſhop; the priſoner made a lunge at Mr. James; I ſaw him put his right hand into Mr. James's right hand pocket, and he turned it out, let ſome of the money drop, and ſome he catched in his hand; I ſaw Mr. James ſtoop, and I ſaw the priſoner put his foot upon Mr. James's hand, and pick it up; the priſoner ſaid, I will be damned if he has not the 152l. about him. A conſtable was ſent for; the priſoner was taken to my father's.

JAMES TALBOYS *ſworn.*

I am beadle. I was at a friend's houſe, and was informed there was a great riot at my door; I came home directly: I ſaw a great number of people aſſembled in a very riotous manner. Mr. James ſaid, this man had robbed him, and ill-treated him; in order to avoid the croud, I took them into my ſhop; the priſoner ſaid, you damned ſcoundrel, I rob you! you have got 150l. and upwards, which you had of my father; Mr. James ſaid, you are a bad fellow; you know I know you are a bad fellow; and the priſoner ſtruck him, and cloſed up one of his eyes; I got between them; he again ſtruck Mr. James on the breaſt; I then ſent for two conſtables.

HENRY LANGSTON *ſworn.*

I am a conſtable. I was ſent for between nine and ten on the 14th of November, to a houſe, the ſign of the Angel and Sun, to take this man into cuſtody; I

took him to the watch-houſe; I ſearched him, and found half a guinea and four or five ſhillings.

PRISONER's DEFENCE.

On the 14th of November, about ſix o'clock, I called at the George in Piccadilly; the boy ſaid, your father is in the parlour; going into the parlour, I ſaw Mr. James coming out; I ſaid, how do you do, Mr. James? he ſaid, are not you Mr. Barnes's ſon? I ſaid, yes; I called him on one ſide, and aſked him to lend me a ſhilling or two; upon this he put his hand into his pocket, pulled out his money, and gave me half a guinea and four ſhillings; I ſaid, I do not want ſo much; he ſaid, poh, poh, keep it; I am going to receive a ſum of money of your father; nothing more occurred for two hours; Mr. James came out of the parlour again, and was going into the ſtreet into the coach; he was put into the coach, and the coachman aſked him where he was to drive him to? he was ſo drunk he could not tell him; I ſaid, he lives on the other ſide of Black-friar's-bridge; my father was in liquor, and could not tell the coachman where to drive Mr. James to; the man that keeps the public-houſe, ſaid to me, Ned, get upon the coach-box, and ſee him home; I ſaid, I do not rightly know where he lives; I got upon the coach-box, along with the coachman, about one hundred yards; Mr. James called me then, and ſaid, Barnes, come in the coach, it rains; I told the coachman not to mind him; he then called out, God damn you, ſtop; the coachman got down, and let him out; he made me get in before him; we went to the ſign of the Sun, near St. Clement's; there we both got out; as ſoon as I got into the houſe, he, without any provocation, ſtruck me in the mouth, and knocked out one of my teeth; I ſtruck him on the noſe, and he fell behind the grate; the coachman aſked what all that was about, and aſked for his fare, which was ſeven or eight ſhillings; he refuſed to pay it, and ſaid he did not hire the coach; then we ſhook hands; but afterwards the coachman and I gave charge of him for aſſaulting us; they took me down a court to the watch-houſe; they put me up ſtairs; I had a bed, for which I paid a ſhilling; Mr. James was brought in ſoon after; and he had a bed in the next room; he broke the pannel of the door, and I crept under the bed for fear, as he ſaid he would be the death of me.

The priſoner called three witneſſes, who gave him a good character.

GUILTY of ſtealing, but not violently from the perſon.

Fined 1s. *and impriſoned one month.*

Tried by the ſecond Middleſex Jury before Mr. Baron THOMPSON.

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31. JAMES WYNN was indicted for ſtealing, on the 5th of December, twelve pounds of cheeſe, value 6s. the property of Joſeph Cox.

JOSEPH COX *ſworn.*

I live in Tottenham-court-road; I am a cheeſemonger. Laſt Monday evening, about ſeven o'clock, as I was ſtanding about four doors from my own houſe, I ſaw the priſoner Wynn and another go paſt the ſhop; my ſhop-windows were lighted up; they made a full ſtop, and looked round; then went on; I had not been out five minutes; after they went ſeveral times backwards and forwards; James Wynn was going into the ſhop; I was ſtanding on the path, not more than ten yards from my own houſe; I was eating ſome oyſters; a man came up, and went into the ſhop; the priſoner then went away two doors beyond the ſhop; I ſtill kept ſtanding in the ſame ſituation; as ſoon as the man went away, in two minutes, the priſoner and his father came paſt the ſhop, two doors nearer to where I ſtood; they looked round, and then

then the priſoner went into the ſhop; and the perſon who was with him, ſtood looking through the window; as ſoon as I ſaw them in the ſhop, I went up to the ſhop, and met the priſoner coming out with this half cheeſe in his hand; the other ſet off directly; I ſeized the priſoner by the collar; he was ſcarcely off the ſtep; he ſaid, Sir, I hope you will not be affronted, I want fix-pennyworth of halfpence; it ſtood about an arm's-length from the door, upon a pile of cheeſe; I placed it there the ſame day. (The cheeſe produced and depoſed to.) The weight is about twelve pounds; it coſt ſix-pence per pound.

GUILTY.

Tranſported for ſeven years.

Tried by the firſt Middleſex Jury before Mr. Baron THOMPSON.

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32. JOHN JONES was indicted for feloniouſly ſtealing, on the 13th of November, forty pounds weight of lead, value 5s. the goods of William Merrick.

WILLIAM MERRICK *ſworn.*

I live in Swallow-ſtreet, Piccadilly. On the 13th, my ſervant called me, and told me he had taken the lead ſtealers; it was loſt off a ſky-light; I was called between one and two; I went to the watch-houſe, and found the priſoner in cuſtody, his father, and brother; the lead was taken to the watch-houſe; I gave charge of the priſoner.

JOHN SMITH *ſworn.*

I am ſervant to Mr. Merrick. The lead was miſſed from the ſhop in Groſvenor Mews; I lived there. On the 13th of November, about a quarter paſt twelve at night, I was called up by the lodger, who ſaid there were people ſtealing lead; I went on the top of the houſe, and miſſed the lead from off the ſky-light; I went to the ſwatch-man; I did not hear any noiſe myſelf; I ſuſpected the lead was put into the adjoining houſe; when I was getting upon the tiles, there was a little freſh dirt; from the ſky-light to the next houſe, is about twelve feet; there is a fixed ladder to the trap-door, and the trap-door was ſtanding wide open; I went down the ladder, and knocked at the door of the priſoner; it was ſome time before he anſwered, or before they opened the door; the father of the priſoner wanted to know who was at the door? the watchman told him there was ſome lead miſſing; the father opened the door, and ſaid, there was no lead there to his knowledge; the watchman went in, and I ſtood at the door; the lead was found in a room where the priſoner ſlept; there are three apartments; the father has two, and the priſoner one; the priſoner was in the room where the lead was found; there was nothing found in the firſt or ſecond room; the lead was found on entering the door; the watchman found it firſt; the priſoner was in bed; I had not ſeen him during our ſearch before; the priſoner ſaid, good God! how did the lead come here; the priſoner had only his coat off; then we took the priſoner to the watch-houſe, and his father and brother; I went directly, and called my maſter.

Priſoner to Smith. Which room did he ſearch firſt?—The father's, which was the firſt we came to.

WILLIAM GENT *ſworn.*

I am a watchman. Depoſed to the ſame as the laſt witneſs.

THOMAS HEMMING *ſworn.*

My lord, I was calling the hour, half paſt twelve, in New Bond-ſtreet: I heard the ſound of a rattle, and ran to my partner's aſſiſtance: that is Mr. Gent: I went up to the place where the father's apartments were, and found Mr. Smith and Gent on the outſide of the door: there was no faſtening to hinder my getting in: the father came to the door, and the watch-

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man told him he had ſuſpicion there was ſome lead in the apartment; the watchman ſaid, if you know yourſelf to be honeſt and clear, open the door: he ſaid, by all means: nothing was found there: I went afterwards to the room where the priſoner was: I do not think it was faſtened: he opened the door: he ſaid to me, you are welcome to ſearch any where: juſt as I came up to the door, I ſaw him covering ſomething with a rug: I went and took the rug off, and threw it on the foot of his bed: a parcel of lead lay in a wine-baſket: I ſaid to my comrades, you need not look any farther; here is the lead: I took it out of the baſket, and laid it down on the floor: I aſked him how the lead came there? he ſeemed to hem and hah: he ſaid a man brought it to the ſtep of the door about half an hour before, and aſked him to keep it till Monday morning: he was then aſked how he could think of taking ſuch a thing into his apartment? he ſaid he did it out of good nature to the man: then we took them all three to the watch-houſe: I have had the lead ever ſince: it was before the magiſtrate: (produces it): he had his coat off, and I think, his ſtockings and ſhoes.

Smith. I tried the lead to the ſky-light: this is the lead laſt loſt: I nailed it on myſelf: the heads of the old nails were decayed. (Produces three nails.) I made theſe nails myſelf.

Jury. I think you ſaid there was one nail left in the wood?—There was.

PRISONER's DEFENCE.

I was coming home late on Saturday night: I met a helper on the ſtair-caſe, who aſked for a coachman? I told him he was not there: then he aſked me to let him leave that bundle till Monday? I ſaid, yes, and welcome: he put down the bundle, and I went into the next room to get a tinder-box: I had no ſooner ſtruck a light, than five or ſix people came in.

Court to Smith. When had you laſt ſeen this lead ſafe?—The ſame afternoon, about three o'clock: I made a point of ſeeing the place every day.

(The priſoner called four witneſſes, who gave him a good character.)

GUILTY.

Tranſported for ſeven years.

Tried by the firſt Middleſex Jury before Mr. Baron THOMPSON.

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33. ANN JONES was indicted for feloniouſly ſtealing, on the 22d of November, one pair of linen ſheets, value 4s. the goods of Thomas Clark; and one linen gown, value 5s. and two half cotton ſhawls, value 1s. the goods of Elizabeth Schafflin.

ELIZABETH SCHAFFLIN *ſworn.*

I loſt a linen gown, and two half cotton ſhawls; a pair of linen ſheets were loſt off the apprentice's bed; I had ſeen them an hour before they were ſtolen; I ſaw the woman go down ſtairs with them; I ran after her, and catched her in the next ſtreet; I never loſt ſight of her; ſhe ſaid that a young man had ſent her for the ſheets to waſh; ſhe had them looſe in her apron; I can ſwear to all the articles.

(Produces and depoſes to them.

GUILTY.

Fined 1s. *and impriſoned ſix months.*

Tried by the firſt Middleſex Jury before Mr. RECORDER.

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34. THOMAS COOK was indicted for ſtealing, on the 12th day of November, one carcaſe of mutton, value 12s. the goods of James Phillips.

JAMES PHILLIPS *ſworn.*

I loſt a carcaſe from my door; I ſaw it at my door about twenty minutes before eight in the evening of the 12th of November; it was ſtopped on the back of the priſoner, in Old-ſtreet, about 200 yards from my door;

door; I know it was my ſheep; it was ſcored with a long ſcore all down the ſide.

A WITNESS *ſworn.*

I dreſſed the ſheep, and hung it out upon a hook; I ſwear to it by my mark, I could know it from a thouſand.

——— BRISTOW *ſworn.*

I am an apothecary; I purſued the priſoner; he had a carcaſe upon his ſhoulder; I took him about 200 yards from the proſecutor's houſe.

——— COOPER *ſworn.*

I was one that ſtopped the priſoner, with a carcaſe of mutton on him.

JOHN GASS *ſworn.*

I only know the taking him before the juſtice.

PRISONER's DEFENCE.

On the 12th of November I ſaw a man with a ſheep on his ſhoulder; he ſaid, if I would carry it for him, he would ſatisfy me for it; the man walked before me; and when I was ſtopped, one of the witneſſes ſaid, why don't you look after the other man?

GUILTY.

Tranſported for ſeven years.

Tried by the firſt Middleſex Jury before Mr. RECORDER.

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35. THOMAS LEWIS and RICHARD BEVIS were indicted for feloniouſly ſtealing, on the 1ſt day of December, 70 lb. weight of lead, value 5s. the goods of Sir David Lindſay, Bart. fixed to a certain building of his, againſt the ſtatute, and againſt the King's peace.

MARY FAULCONBRIDGE *ſworn.*

I live at Mr. Dorien's, No. 10, Cavendiſh-ſquare; I know the lead was ſafe on the water-cloſet of Sir David Lindſay's houſe at four o'clock, the 1ſt of December; it was gone before nine the ſame evening.

RICHARD SCOTT *ſworn.*

I am a patrol in Cavendiſh-ſquare! on Thurſday the 1ſt of December, between ſix and ſeven, I ſaw ſeveral people lurking about; I ſaw three or four people coming out of Sir David Lindſay's garden; I ruſhed forward, and hallooed, thieves! I ſprung my rattle; the ſervants came, and brought me a candle and lanthorn; I found Bevis hid down the neceſſary; I took him out, and took him to the watch-houſe; I found the lead on Mr. Dorien's premiſes; I fitted the lead; it matched exactly.

(Produces the lead.)

EDWARD BATES *ſworn.*

I am a patrol; I and Richard Nutter found thirteen pieces of lead.

JOHN SEXTON *ſworn.*

I apprehended Lewis in Sir David Lindſay's ſtable; it was not locked; he was laying under the manger, pretending to be aſleep; he aſked what was the matter.

RICHARD NUTTER *ſworn.*

I am a watchman; I found this knife open upon the lead.

Bevis. I heard a noiſe, and went to ſee what was the matter.

Lewis. I had been to a feaſt of my maſter's, I was drunk, and a coachman told me to lay down in the ſtable till he ſhould come and let me out.

THOMAS LEWIS, GUILTY.

Tranſported for ſeven years.

RICHARD BEVIS, NOT GUILTY.

Tried by the firſt Middleſex Jury before Mr. COMMON SERJEANT.

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36. JAMES LAWLER was indicted for feloniouſly ſtealing, on the 16th day of November, one cloth coat, value 8s. the goods of John Flynn; one cloth coat, value 5s. the goods of Thomas Bryan; and

one linen ſhirt, value 2s. and one pair of nankeen breeches, value 2s. the property of James Carty.

JOHN FLYNN *ſworn.*

I live in Petty France; I am a black-ſmith; the clothes were in a room where M'Carthy, Brian, and Ward ſlept; the priſoner came to the houſe, and lodged two or three nights; I found my coat again; the pawnbroker had it; there were two beds in the room I ſlept in.

THOMAS BRYAN *ſworn.*

I am a bricklayer's labourer; I lodge in Petty France; I loſt two waiſtcoats, a coat, and breeches; I miſſed my breeches, and other things, on Wedneſday, and found them again on Friday night.

JAMES CARTY *ſworn.*

I am a bricklayer's labourer; I lodge with Bryan and Flynn; I loſt a ſhirt and breeches, I loſt them on Wedneſday; I never found them ſince; he confeſſed he ſtole them.

—— GREEN *ſworn.*

I am ſervant to the pawnbroker; I produce two coats; I took them in on the 16th of November, of a man who called himſelf John Smith; it was about ſeven or eight in the evening; I cannot take upon myſelf to ſwear to the man, but I think I have ſeen him; I lent 7s. on them.

(Produces the two coats.)

(*Flynn* depoſes to a blue coat, *Bryan* depoſes to a black coat.)

CHARLES MORGAN *ſworn.*

The priſoner was brought to St. Giles's watch-houſe; we took him before a magiſtrate; when Bryan came, he ſaid he had loſt a razor; I ſearched him, and found a razor upon him.

Bryan. This razor was in my coat pocket when I loſt it.

(The razor produced, and depoſed to.)

DANIEL HOGAN *ſworn.*

On the 18th of November I took the priſoner up on ſuſpicion of robbing theſe two men.

Priſoner. I had been to ſea; I went to this lodging-houſe, where I had lodged a year and half before; they were very glad to ſee me; I know no more of it.

GUILTY.

Whipped, and impriſoned three months.

Tried by the firſt Middleſex Jury, before Mr. COMMON SERJEANT.

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37. EDWARD BRYAN was indicted for ſtealing, on the 8th of December, one ſurtout coat, value 10s. the goods of William Higgs.

(The witneſſes examined ſeparate.)

WILLIAM HIGGS *ſworn.*

I am a taylor and ſaleſman; I loſt a coat on the 8th of December, about four o'clock; I miſſed a coat, and turning about I ſaw the priſoner running up Laſcelles-place with the coat under his arm; I purſued and took him; I never loſt ſight of him.

PRISONER's DEFENCE.

I was coming up, and ſaw a crowd; a man ſaid, if you will take my comrade's coat into a publick-houſe, I will give you a pot of beer; I had no ſooner got it under my arm than this gentleman ſeized me.

GUILTY.

Tried by the firſt Middleſex Jury before Mr. COMMON SERJEANT.

He was permitted to enter for an Eaſt-India ſoldier.

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38. ROBERT TIRESMAN and WILLIAM IZZY were indicted for ſtealing, on the 2d of November laſt, a wooden caſk, value 5s. and 36 gallons of yeaſt, value 16s. the

the property of Felix Calvert, Robert Ladbroke, William Whitmore, Robert Calvert, and Charles Calvert: And THOMAS WATMORE was indicted for feloniouſly receiving the ſame, knowing it to be ſtolen.

(The caſe opened by Mr. Garrow.)

(The witneſſes examined ſeparate.)

RICHARD DIGGINS *ſworn.*

I am a watchman of the ward of Aldgate; I have ſeen the priſoner Watmore once, and the other two a great many times; I was directed to watch the two firſt priſoners; about the beginning of November I ſaw them come through Aldgate High-ſtreet into Whitechapel, that is the road from Tooley-ſtreet to Petticoat-lane; they had a ſledge with no wheels, and a barrel, and a tub like a half barrel; I ſpoke to John Jameſon; I did not go to Watmore's houſe; I went where they went to on the return along Fenchurch-ſtreet, Fiſh-ſtreet, over London-bridge, to Tooley-ſtreet, about half after four, when they returned, the place looked then like a brewhouſe; I have ſince found it was a ſtorehouſe belonging to Meſſrs. Calvert and Co.; I obſerved they took a ſledge and a barrel, nothing elſe; I obſerved a difference in the ſound, that there was ſomething in the barrels as they came towards Petticoat-lane, and empty when they returned; I took the priſoners the 19th of November, about four in the morning; the two firſt priſoners were coming again along with the ſledge, and a barrel and tub upon it, as uſual; I jumped acroſs, and ſtopped the horſe; Tireſman aſked me what right I had to ſtop it; I told him I underſtood it was ſpirits or gin; he ſaid, no, nothing but yeaſt from Mr. Calvert's; I ſaid it was my duty to ſtop him; if he would go to the watch-houſe, we had officers that were looking after ſmugglers; he ſaid, we will go back, and leave the ſledge here; I ſaid no, and they went with the ſledge to the watch-houſe; they walked in; they ſaw no officers; I told them they would be there preſently; with that, Tireſman ſays, we may as well ſhoot this barrel down here, and go for another turn, and by that time your officers will be come; I went and fetched the beadle, and the priſoner Tireſman ſhewed us a key of a ſtorehouſe, marked Rupert-ſtreet, Whitechapel; we told him he had better tell where he brought it from; he ſaid, from Mr. Calvert's; the priſoners were ſecured; in the barrel there was yeaſt, and nothing in the tub, that I look upon to be a receiver; I did not go to Watmore after the 19th.

JOHN JAMESON *ſworn.*

I am a watchman in Aldgate High-ſtreet; I remember, the beginning of November, ſeeing the two firſt priſoners with a ſledge; they went into Boar's-head court, Petticoat-lane; they came out about a quarter of an hour; I did not like to go into the court, it is a very bad place; Mr. Watmore lives in the court, but I do not know the houſe, or the number; they came back again with an empty caſk, becauſe it rumbled and tumbled on the ſledge, and before it was ſolid and ſteady.

THOMAS PINNER *ſworn.*

I am the conſtable of the night; I was in bed; I took the charge; they had a caſk of yeaſt, containing 36 gallons, which they ſaid they brought from Calvert's.

WILLIAM BOX *ſworn.*

I am a conſtable; I went to a houſe in Petticoat-lane, where Flood lives, in Boar's-head yard, the 19th of November; Flood works for Watmore; I ſaw Watmore and Flood at Mr. Flood's, putting a caſk down a cellar; I took no notice; I went and fetched Mr. Read, and we went back and found the ſame caſk in the cellar; nothing elſe was in the cellar but the caſk.

JAMES READ *ſworn.*

I am ſtorehouſe-clerk to Meſſrs. Calvert and Co. the priſoner Tireſman and Izzy's buſineſs was to carry yeaſt; the value of a caſk of yeaſt is 16s.; they had no buſineſs to carry it to Rupert-ſtreet, but to Thames-ſtreet; ſeven in the morning is time enough; they

they certainly had no orders to carry any on the 7th or 8th, or on the 19th; I went to Flood's houſe, and ſaw a caſk in the cellar; it is the property of Meſſrs. Calvert and Co.; we ſell none of that kind; one and has Felix Calvert and Co.; the value of it is 5s.

JOHN HOLDBEACH *ſworn.*

I am an attorney. (Depoſed to the firm.)

(The two firſt priſoners called ſeven witneſſes, and the laſt priſoner called eleven witneſſes, who gave them very good characters.)

ROBERT TIRESMAN, WILLIAM IZZY, } GUILTY.

Tranſported for ſeven years.

THOMAS WATMORE, NOT GUILTY.

Tried by the ſecond Middleſex Jury before Mr. Baron PERRYN.

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39. SARAH PARIS was indicted for ſtealing, on the 18th of November laſt, a printed bound book, entitled and called Bell's Britiſh Theatre, vol. 14, value 2s.; another bound book, called The Political Works of Lord Littelton, with the life of the author, value 6d.; three ſhirts, value 6d. two handkerchiefs, value 12d. one leather caſe, value 1s. one tooth-bruſh caſe, value 1d. one glaſs decanter, value 3d. one glaſs goblet, value 1d. one glaſs tumbler, value 1d. two wine glaſſes, value 2d. a deſert knife, value 2d. and a piece of linen cloth, containing two yards and a half, value 2s. the property of Sir Charles Aſgill, baronet.

Mr. Akerman. My lord, this poor woman ſeems very big with child, and ſhe begs to ſit down.

Court. By all means.

Sir CHARLES ASGILL *ſworn.*

The priſoner came to live with me the 29th of January laſt, as houſe-maid, and remained in my ſervice till the 11th of June following; I diſcharged her on my going abroad, giving her permiſſion to ſtay till ſhe got a place; ſhe behaved extremely well, ſo well, that I ſhould have continued her in my ſervice, if I had not gone abroad; after my return, I miſſed things every day, as I wanted them; I did not miſs the articles in the indictment particularly; I got a ſearch-warrant, and found ſome of the things in the indictment at her lodging, in Little Ryder-ſtreet; I was preſent at the ſearch-warrant with Townſhend and Carpmeal; the two bound books, and every thing in the indictment, the articles of glaſs, correſpond with thoſe I have in my own houſe now: the ſhirts were found on a man that I ſuppoſed to be her huſband, I do not know whether he is or not; he is ſervant to Colonel Tarleton; I found one ſhirt on his back, and the other in his poſſeſſion, which he ſaid were delivered to him at my houſe by the priſoner; his name is William Turnbull; I am induced to think it was extreme poverty which drove her to it, for ſhe is with child, and has another, and the ſuppoſed father was abſent; I had the beſt character with her.

CHARLOTTE PAYNE *ſworn.*

I lived in the ſervice of Sir Charles Aſgill; the priſoner lived in the houſe with me; I know nothing about this robbery; I always thought her very honeſt; I went with Sir Charles to ſearch her lodgings, and the articles he mentioned were found there in her box.

GEORGE SKINNER *ſworn.*

I am Sir Charles Aſgill's ſervant, and had the care of his glaſſes and linen; there were a great many miſſing, but I cannot ſay to what amount; I was not at her lodging.

JOHN TOWNSHEND *ſworn.*

On the 18th of November, I, in company with Carpmeal, went to a green-grocer's, in Ryder-ſtreet, to ſearch the priſoner's lodgings; Sir Charles owned ſome of

of the glaſſes, and two handkerchiefs, and a piece of cloth; then Sir Charles and me went to Clarges-ſtreet, to Colonel Tarleton's, and ſearched a man who we were informed was the huſband of the priſoner, and we found one on him, and he readily gave up the other two; he ſaid the priſoner, whom we thought was his wife, gave them to him at Sir Charles's houſe; the pocket-book I took out of the priſoner's pocket, at Sir Charles's houſe, which is Lady Aſgill's thread-paper: the man's name is William Turnbull; he is here.

(The things depoſed to by Sir Charles Aſgill.)

HENRY BAKER *ſworn.*

I am a linen-draper; I made the ſhirts; I keep a warehouſe for ready-made linen; I can poſitively ſay theſe three are part of ſix ſhirts I made for Sir Charles Aſgill the 9th of June laſt.

WILLIAM TURNBULL *ſworn.*

I am a ſervant of Colonel Tarleton's; I am not the huſband of the priſoner.

You cohabited with her?—I have been in her company: theſe ſhirts I had from her.

Court. It is impoſſible for you to accept new ſhirts, that had never been worn, without knowing that they were come diſhoneſtly by; therefore you might have been indicted as a receiver: you muſt behave better for the future.

Sir Charles Aſgill. My lord, I beg leave to obſerve, that I was induced to be lenient to this man, in hopes that he will take care of the children.

Court to Turnbull. You appear in a very bad light indeed.

Court. Would the poor woman ſay any thing in her defence?

Priſoner. I lived at Sir Charles Aſgill's only a month, and made the ſhirts, and my mother; I was diſtreſſed for lodging, and came to Sir Charles's; I made the three ſhirts in the country; I brought them to Sir Charles Aſgill's houſe.

Baker. There was a mark of C. A. 1. 2. ſome are taken out, and here are the remains, a very ſmall part.

Court to Priſoner. You had better tell the truth; it will be of more uſe to you.

Priſoner. None of my friends knew that I was in trouble.

GUILTY.

Tried by the ſecond Middleſex Jury before Mr. Baron PERRYN.

Sir Charles. My lord, I beg leave to recommend her ſtrongly to mercy.

(She was alſo recommended by the Jury.)

Court. Sarah Paris, you have been indicted and convicted of a felony, in ſtealing a quantity of linen, and other things, the property of Sir Charles Aſgill, your maſter, who has very humanely recommended you to mercy, as alſo the Jury have recommended you with equal humanity; your ſituation influences me to paſs on you the mildeſt puniſhment that I can paſs upon you; and as I have a power, by the late act of parliament, to commute burning in the hand for a pecuniary puniſhment, my ſentence is, that you be fined 1s. and diſcharged.

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40. GEORGE BANKS and ROBERT BARNES were indicted for ſtealing, on the 1ſt of October, one wooden box, value 4d. one hempen cord, value 2d. one pair of linen ſheets, value 15s. eleven damaſk table-cloths, value 40s. twenty-eight napkins, value 20s. one cotton dreſſing-gown, value 5s. three yards of dimity, value 2s. and three yards of wrapper cloth, value 2s. the property of George Wood.

(The witneſſes examined ſeparate.)

——— MULLINER *ſworn.*

I am the waggoner of the Newcaſtle and Litchfield waggon; George Wood is the proprietor; he has no partner; I remember driving that waggon the 26th of September; I took up the box, and had it booked, at Litchfield; it was directed for Mrs. Trub-

ſhaw, at Mr. Powis's, in Berner's-ſtreet, No. 28; I ſaw the box every day, coming along; the laſt time was at the Crown, at Holloway; I ſtopt there, and ſaw it ſafe; the waggon went on; Gadſden, the guard, drove the waggon on; I ſhould know the box.

JOHN GADSDEN *ſworn.*

I am guard to the Newcaſtle and Litchfield waggon, and was ſo in September laſt; I remember the box in queſtion, and ſhould know it again, but am no ſcholar; as I got to the Pyed Bull, at Iſlington, a gentlewoman informed me my waggon was robbed, and I miſſed the box.

SARAH MILWARD *ſworn.*

On the 1ſt of November, between three and four, the field next to where I live, the two priſoners were in there, and laid themſelves flat on the bank; and the priſoner Banks, I ſaw him go down the bank, behind the waggon, into the road; the other man is not the other priſoner, but he went over the ſtile; I thought they were waiting for paſſengers in the waggon; I looked at him, and he looked at me; I ſaw him jump up and untie the ſtring, and then get into the waggon; when he got out, he had nothing; he walked on a few yards, and took out a deal box, and ſome little parcel which dropped; he went down Chapel-ſtreet; I informed the waggoner; I ſhould know the box as it appears, but I did not read the direction.

THOMAS COMPTON *ſworn.*

I am a labouring man; I lodge at the Pyed Bull; I remember the robbery, and purſued up Chapel-ſtreet; I ſaw three men going acroſs the field, and one had this box on his right ſhoulder; I got into the ſame field; I was alone; I called to Mr. Saddington, the landlord, to follow; and they hearing me call, the man who had the box threw it down, and they all ran away; I know the priſoners are two of the men, but which had the box I do not know; the box was delivered by me to Mr. Kaye.

WILLIAM SADDINGTON *ſworn.*

I keep the Pyed Bull; I purſued the two priſoners, and a perſon of the name of Hyſon; I am ſure of the priſoners; I took Barnes; the other was taken by a man not here, but he was delivered over to me; they were committed; there was nobody before the priſoners.

JOSEPH KAYE *ſworn.*

I am partner with Mr. Harris, at the Caſtle and Falcon; I received a box at Juſtice Triquet's office, and have kept it ever ſince; this is the box.

(The box depoſed to.)

(The priſoner called one witneſs to his character.)

GEORGE BANKS, GUILTY.

Tranſported for ſeven years.

ROBERT BARNES, NOT GUILTY.

Tried by the firſt Middleſex Jury before Mr. COMMON SERJEANT.

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41. THOMAS WHITTLE was indicted for feloniouſly ſtealing, on the 16th of November laſt, 150 lb. weight of raw cotton, value 11l. and one linen bag, value 1d. the property of Matthew Pickford and Thomas Pickford.

JOHN MAKIN *ſworn.*

I am porter to Meſſrs. Pickford; I know the priſoner at the bar, and have employed him; as I was coming to the warehouſe, at the corner of Maiden-lane, about ſix o'clock, I obſerved a man reſting himſelf, with a bag of cotton, againſt the church-yard; he took it up, and went through Bell-ſquare; he ſtopped there, at the ſign of the Bell; I ſaid, Tom, where are you going with this bag of cotton? I turned it, and found it was like ſome bags we had in the yard; he ſaid he was employed by a man in Watling-ſtreet; I ſaid, go and fetch him; I carried him to the watch-houſe.

Mr.

Mr. Garrow, Priſoner's Counſel. His buſineſs was that of a jobbing porter?—Yes.

DANIEL IVORY *ſworn.*

I am a watchman; I ſaw the priſoner pitch the cotton off his ſhoulder, at the Bell, in Bell-ſquare.

JOHN JACKSON *ſworn.*

I am clerk to Mr. Thomas Pickford: on the 14th I entered 12 bags of cotton; they were marked regularly W. from 1 to 12; this bag was No. 12, and correſponded to the loſs of one of the twelve; we went after Whittle to his lodging; we were refuſed admiſſion; we broke open the door.

(The cotton produced, and depoſed to by Makin.)

Priſoner. I leave it to my counſel.

WILLIAM WILLIAMS *ſworn.*

I know the priſoner as a jobbing porter: he is a very honeſt man.

CHARLES SCOLDWELL *ſworn.*

I have known the priſoner for the laſt ſeven years; his general reputation is that of an honeſt, hard-working man.

GUILTY.

Fined 1s. *and impriſoned three months.*

Tried by the London Jury before Mr. COMMON SERJEANT.

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42. WILLIAM WAYLAND was indicted for ſtealing, on the 17th of November, one half-hundred iron weight, value 5s. the property of our Sovereign Lord the King.

(The caſe opened by Mr. Fielding.)

WILLIAM EDDINGTON *ſworn.*

I am a conſtable on the quays; I ſtopped the priſoner with a half-hundred weight; it is the property of the King; it was concealed in a ſomething.

JOHN STAFFORD *ſworn.*

I am one of the appointers of the weighers; this weight (the weight produced) belongs to the King; there is no doubt about it.

PRISONER's DEFENCE.

Coming over London-bridge, a man aſked me to carry this weight to Eaſt-Smithfield; and he would give me a ſhilling.

GUILTY.

Fined 1s. *and impriſoned one month.*

Tried by the London Jury before Mr. COMMON SERJEANT.

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43. WILLIAM MILLER was indicted for feloniouſly ſtealing, on the 12th of November, one wooden firkin, value 4d. and 56 lb. of ſalted butter, value 35s. the goods of Joſeph Butler.

JAMES NEWMAN *ſworn.*

I am conſtable of the ward of Cripplegate within. On Saturday, November the 12th, Mr. Jacobs and I croſſing the bottom of Long-lane, we ſaw the priſoner and three others looking into the cart; Jacobs and I watched them two minutes; the boy drove the cart up Long-lane, and the priſoner and others followed, and jumped up to ſee what was in it; they ſtood ſtill a bit, then followed the cart; oppoſite to Jewin-ſtreet I ſaw the priſoner put the firkin on his ſhoulder, and go up Jewin-ſtreet; I went up to him, and he threw the butter down, and ran about twenty yards; he ran into another man's arms, and I came up to him.

LAZARUS JACOBS *ſworn.*

I am a conſtable; I was in company with Newman the 12th of November, between ſeven and eight in the evening. (Corroborates the teſtimony of the laſt witneſs.)

You deal in old iron, and are a Jew?—I am; have been in that way a year and half.

JOHN

JOHN NEWMAN *ſworn.*

I received this tub (produces it) of James Newman, and have kept it ever ſince.

JOSEPH PITTARD *ſworn.*

I drove the cart; I know the tub, it has my maſter's mark; I miſſed it in Fore-ſtreet.

JOSEPH BUTLER *ſworn.*

I live in Wapping: this tub is mine; it is marked No. 34, I. B.

Pittard. I had no other butter than my maſter's in the cart.

Priſoner. I am innocent of what I am here for, and have witneſſes to my character.

(The priſoner called four witneſſes, who gave him a good character.)

GUILTY.

Tried by the London Jury before Mr. COMMON SERJEANT.

44. DAVID CARTER was indicted for feloniouſly ſtealing, on the 17th of November, a pair of women's ſtuff ſhoes, value 3s. the goods of Meſſrs. Dixon, Clement, and Dixon.

MARY PORTER *ſworn.*

I was ſtanding in Mr. Clement's ſhop, and ſaw the priſoner taking the ſhoes; when he had got them, he walked off.

JOHN LOOE *ſworn:*

I ran after the priſoner, and he threw the ſhoes into the road; I ſecured him, and brought him and the ſhoes back.

(The ſhoes depoſed to.)

GUILTY.

Whipped, and impriſoned one month.

Tried by the London Jury before Mr. COMMON SERJEANT.

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MISDEMEANORS.

45. WILLIAM DENZELL was indicted for putting off, on the 19th day of November laſt, one piece of counterfeit money, called a ſixpence.

Second Count, For having in his poſſeſſion one other piece of falſe and counterfeit money, called a ſixpence.

(Mr. Reeves opened the indictment, and Mr. Fielding the caſe.)

WILLIAM SLOMAN *ſworn.*

I keep the Chapter coffee-houſe; the priſoner came on the 19th of November, and aſked for a glaſs of wine; I had cautioned the waiters againſt taking any bad money; the priſoner ſaid he was my neighbour; when I charged him with a knowledge of its being a bad one, he came up to the bar, and ſnatched away the firſt ſixpence; then he threw another away; I had him ſet down in the box; and theſe two, which I have in my hand, I found under him; one of theſe ſixpences is the one which was firſt tendered to me.

BENJAMIN PORTER *ſworn.*

I am a conſtable: I ſearched the priſoner; I found one ſhilling, a half-crown, and one ſixpence.

JOHN CLARK *ſworn.*

I am a moneyer of the Mint; theſe two ſixpences are both bad; the half-crown and two ſhillings are bad: there is one good ſixpence.

Priſoner. I ſent the conſtable to the perſon from whom I received this money: he ſaid he would come, and ſet all to rights; but he never came.

GUILTY.

To be fined 1s. impriſoned one year, and find ſecurities for two years following.

Tried by the London Jury before Mr. COMMON SERJEANT.

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46. WILLIAM WHITE, otherwiſe GOLDING, was indicted for obtaining goods by falſe pretences.

THOMAS WILKS *ſworn.*

I am ſervant to John Fuller; I never ſaw the priſoner before ſix o'clock on Thurſday; Mr. Fuller is a ſilverſmith, No. 2, Smithfield-bars; I was alone in the ſhop; the priſoner came in, and aſked if I had any ſplit-bone knives and forks; I told him I had; he aſked the price, and I ſaid 5s. he ſaid, we only give 4s. I ſaid, are you in the wholeſale? he ſaid, yes, I live with Mr. Ives; I knew Mr. Ives, he is an ironmonger; he ſaid he wanted ſome goods for Mr. Ives, ſome black horn; he had read over his liſt, and I had almoſt every thing he wanted, except the carvers; he ſaid he wanted theſe goods to complete an order for a captain that was now in Mr. Ives's ſhop; he ſaid, as you have not got them all, I muſt go to Newgate-ſtreet; I ſaid, as I have got what will nearly complete your order, you may as well take theſe to Mr. Ives; I then delivered him the goods charged

in the indictment; he put them into his apron, and was going away; I desired him to take an account of what he had got; after I had done so, he was again going; I told him I hoped he would not be offended, but I must send somebody with him; my boy was out, and I said I will go myself; he then threw them down on the counter, and said, I'll be d——d if they will do; I went with him to the corner of Shoe-lane; and, after many pretences to elude me, he ran down Shoe-lane.

GRAINGER IVES *sworn.*

The prisoner is the man that was brought to my house; I never gave him any order, or ever sent him to Mr. Fuller.

GUILTY.

Transported for seven years.

Tried by the London Jury before Mr. RECORDER.

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47. JORDAN WAINE was indicted for obtaining money by false pretences from Mary Yostus, to procure a pardon for Joseph Yostus, her husband.

(The case opened by Mr. Garrow.)

May it please your Lordship. Gentlemen of the Jury. Gentlemen, you have very lately heard, from the Clerk of the Arraigns, the stress of the indictment against the prisoner, who comes before you for judgment, on the state of an indictment for misdemeanor only; and, Gentlemen, in the course of some experience in this place, attended very often with painful circumstances, I have never been called upon to lend my poor assistance to a prosecution in which I have contributed my aid with so much satisfaction as on the present occasion; because you have before you, as the evidence will prove, a man carrying on one of the most profligate and abandoned systems of imposition on a person the last in the world on whom such a system should be practised: I am most perfectly sure, that when the facts are laid before you, that you and the whole Court, and every man that hears me, will be of opinion that banishment from this country does not reach his offences, and that all that the Court can do falls short of doing justice to him. Gentlemen, having laid hold of a poor woman of the name of Yostus, whose husband had been convicted at this place for a felony, he pretended to her that he would prepare a petition, in order to obtain the extension of the Royal mercy to that husband; he afterwards pretended he had prepared such a petition, and had laid it before his Majesty; that it had had its effect, and was then laying in the office of the noble Secretary of State, and all that was necessary now to be done was to obtain a sum of money to carry that petition from the office. One would hardly believe that depraved human nature would furnish a man with pretences to strip a miserable widow, deprived of her husband, and to strip five miserable orphan children, of every rag they had to cover them, to support himself in his vices, by amusing them with the hopes of obtaining this pardon. Besides, Gentlemen, if one considers the nature of a crime like this, there are circumstances in it that make one shudder: suppose there had been any favourable circumstances in this poor man's case, if he had fallen into honest and honourable hands, his case would have been presented to the worthy Recorder; and if there had been any favourable circumstances, it is a libel, for the first time uttered by the prisoner, that it is necessary to grease the wheels of government, as he calls it, that it is necessary to give a fee to the Clerk of the Record, the officer at the Secretary of State's office, and to all the various hands, in order to procure the extension of the Royal mercy. Gentlemen, it is right it should be stated, it is perfectly well known to us, that there is nothing necessary to obtain that mercy, but that there should appear to the Judge, who tries, favourable circumstances; and if there is any department of the Government more chastely or more honourably administred than another, it is that

that of extending the Royal mercy to perſons who are ſuitors for that mercy: but if this man had any favourable circumſtances which could have been made appear, the priſoner was preventing the application of them by deluding her with a fallacious hope; therefore I am warranted to ſtate, that a more complicated miſdemeanor cannot come before any Court. Gentlemen, the day after the poor man had been convicted of ſtealing coals to the value of 5s. the priſoner applied to him; he told him he ſhould be able to procure a pardon, if he could raiſe two guineas; one guinea of which was to be delivered into the office of the Secretary of State (a moſt impudent and audacious libel!). The poor man, locked up in that ſtrong houſe, ſent to his wife; ſhe was anxious to get her huſband home: he told her the buſineſs would be preſently done—ſtealing a few coals—no difficulty. He prepared a petition, ſhewed it to the poor woman, who approved of it, and gave it to her to get it ſigned by a number of her friends: then, ſays he, ſome of my friends ſhall ſign it, and he hinted ſome parliamentary intereſt (another audacious libel!). Thank God, in this country, the Royal mercy is not dealt out on ſuch terms. He ſaid, I have ſeveral names, and among the reſt two members of parliament: ſo he took her to Whitehall, and went into ſome office, which he ſaid was the Secretary of State's; there was ſomebody ready to attend on this gentleman: now, ſays he, I ſhall attend on this, day by day, till the petition is conſidered; and as ſoon as it is you ſhall hear from me; upon which the poor woman went home, for that time at leaſt, happy. Gentlemen, in the courſe of a few days Mr. Waine found his way to her again; ſays he, here is ſad news; you have been talking about this to ſomebody, and we ſhall be defeated; the poor woman ſaid no, nobody could have heard of it from her; ſays he, there is more difficulty than I expected, I muſt have more money; that was the firſt application: then ſomebody had got ſcent of this; that ſhe had enemies; that her huſband had enemies: then there was an anonymous letter ſent to Mr. Recorder: at laſt he found two gentlemen, very reſpectable men, to anſwer for his good behaviour; but they muſt have a guinea a-piece: ſo he went on (not to fatigue you with the variety of frauds this man practiſed upon her), taking the miſerable pence out of her pocket, and pretending that indeed more was wanted; but he, in charity and kindneſs, would make up the reſt: at laſt he told her—ſays he, now I have good news to tell you; I ſaw my Lord Grenville laſt night (and theſe people are always very intimate, you know, with great men), and Lord Grenville ſaid, Waine, your buſineſs ſhall be ſettled immediately: ſays he, I do not like to come into this houſe; you have ſome enemies; they are always writing to the Recorder about it; I will tell you when your huſband will come home: the poor woman began to be very uneaſy; why the convicts are to be removed from Newgate on board the tranſport; ſays he, they will not remove him, for I ſaw my Lord Grenville, and he told me the thing was all in a train: at laſt he came, ſays he, well, I could do nothing better, I have got a conditional pardon for him, to go for an Eaſt-India ſoldier: this did not ſuit with the poor woman; ſays he, why ſo downcaſt? the ſerjeant, for a guinea, will let him go any where you pleaſe; ſays ſhe, I have ſome friends at Windſor firſt; oh, ſays he, that is the beſt place in the world; ſtill more money was procured; then the petition lay in Lord Grenville's office; nothing was to be done without money: well, Gentlemen, at laſt the huſband is ſent down to Portſmouth to the tranſport ſhip; the poor woman now began to ſuſpect there was ſomething very wrong indeed; ſhe ſaid, Sir, this is ſad work; ſays he, do not fear, I have been down to the ſhip myſelf, and left a ſhilling for him, and really the ſmell of the ſhip has made me ſo ſick (though I did not ſee him); cannot you lend me a trifle to get ſomething to drink, to make me better. In ſhort, Gentlemen, not to purſue this wicked ſtory, the ſequel is, that the poor man is now on his voyage to Botany-bay,

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and the poor woman is now come here before you, Gentlemen, for a reſource and reſtitution very inadequate indeed to the great loſs ſhe has ſuſtained. Gentlemen, this caſe reminds one of a ſtory that we crown lawyers hear very early in the opening of our profeſſion, of an attorney who uſed to practiſe in this place formerly, and had undertaken the defence of a priſoner; the man was indicted, and he ſent caſh to this attorney to take care of him; but when his trial came on, he found himſelf deſerted, without either counſellor or ſolicitor; he ſent in great rage for the attorney, and told him his ſituation; he ſent him word not to fear, for the Court would not try him; however, he was tried and convicted: he then ſent with double haſte; oh, ſays he, there is a flaw in the indictment, they will not paſs ſentence upon you; however, they did paſs ſentence upon him with the other convicts: then he was frightened indeed, and he ſent to his friend the attorney; well, ſays he, you have brought me into a dreadful ſituation indeed! here I am in the condemned cell; ſays the attorney (who kept out of the way all the while himſelf), all is ſafe, do not be uneaſy, they will not venture to paſs ſentence on you; however, ſentence was paſſed upon him with the reſt of the convicts: then he ſent again, all terror and alarm; oh, ſays the attorney, they will not put you in the death-warrant, all will be ſafe; however, in a few days Mr. Recorder's warrant came down to Mr. Akerman for the execution of thoſe convicts, and this poor man among the reſt; then the poor creature, whoſe ſituation I pretend not to deſcribe, ſent to this unfeeling wretch of an attorney again; ſays he, for God's ſake, come to me, do ſomething for me, I am very much alarmed, for Mr. Akerman's people tell me we are to be hanged on Wedneſday next; to which this unfeeling attorney, for the laſt time, replied, Never fear, ſays he, they dare not hang you; but I wiſh I could ſee them do it; for if they hang you, I will puniſh them very ſeverely: ſo it was with Mr. Waine.

Gentlemen of the Jury, now comes the pleaſant part of the picture: thank God Almighty, there is no ſituation, however abject, and miſerable, and diſtreſſed, in this country, which, when that diſtreſs comes to be known by their ſuperiors, is not protected: the caſe came to be known to the late ſheriff, Mr. Alderman Macaulay, who immediately directed the poor woman to apply to Mr. Shelton, who was inſtructed to ſubmit the caſe, as it is properly ſubmitted, to you. Gentlemen, thank God, whilſt the office is in ſuch hands, and in ſuch a ſucceſſion of officers, there is no great danger that theſe things will paſs with impunity: this is the firſt caſe that modern iniquity has preſented to us for judgement; I know very well that it will be made a terrible example to thoſe who have been preying but too much on the miſeries of their fellow-creatures: you will feel conſiderable ſatisfaction in pronouncing on his guilt, if he is found guilty; and the Court will take care to puniſh, that men of the like deſcription may not fancy, in future, that they are to ſport with the feelings and miſeries of the diſtreſſed.

The judgement of conviction proved by Mr. Shelton.

"Wedneſday the 13th of April, 1791, before Lord Kenyon, Mr. Baron Hotham, and Mr. Juſtice Heath, &c. Joſeph Yoſtus, for receiving ſix buſhels of coals, to be tranſported fourteen years."

MARY YOSTUS *ſworn.*

Mr. Garrow. You are the wife of the unfortunate man who was convicted for ſtealing coals?—Yes; a man left a direction for the priſoner; in conſequence of which I went to him, and he promiſed to procure a pardon for my huſband in a few days; he ſaid he had great interceſſion with ſomebody at the Secretary of State's, and that he was not in the leaſt afraid but he ſhould ſoon have a pardon for my huſband; I was very earneſt to have it done, and willing to ſubmit to any thing that he told me; he

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was to have a guinea for the petition, and a guinea to give in with the petition at the Secretary of State's office; he was to call on me the next day with the petition, and I was to get my friends to ſign it; he would try my friends, but he did not care whether I had any or not, as he had plenty of hands to ſign it; he called on me the next day, and brought me a petition, which ſome of my friends ſigned, and ſome were not at home; then I went with him to ſome of his friends, and they were willing to ſign it; then he ſaid there were ſufficient hands, and two members of parliament; he had the two guineas when he brought the petition, which was the ſecond day; then I went with him to ſome office, I cannot tell what office, nor what part of the town; he gave it to ſome gentleman; then he ſaid it was all right; I was very much unacquainted with the town at that time.

Priſoner. You had better ſtate to her the ſituation of Lord Grenville's office, and then ſhe can know.

Mr. Garrow. You may do that on croſs examination.

Mrs. Yoſtus. I never was there in my life; I do not know the ſituation of the office.

He was to ſolicit this petition every day? —Yes.

Mr. Garrow. Now, my Lord, I will paſs ſhortly over all the reſt till I come to the pretenſions upon which the indictment is founded.

Mrs. Yoſtus. He ſaid he would take particular care to do my buſineſs; at length, my huſband was removed from Newgate to the ſhip; I met him ſomewhere near Patten-court, in Fleet-ſtreet; I was quite diſtreſſed, and was looking for him; he ſaid he was ſeeking for me; I told him I thought my huſband was not to be ſent away; he ſaid they did not dare to ſend him away, but he was ſent in the room of one of the men who ſtabbed himſelf, and he was ſent to make up the number; he ſaid it would be very eaſy to fetch him back from the ſhip, and then Mr. Akerman's fees on being diſcharged would be all ſaved, ſo that it was better than if he had not; he ſaid he had called on Mr. Akerman, and he was very angry, becauſe he had wronged him of his fees; the next time I ſaw him he bid me have good ſpirits, for it was eaſy to fetch him away, and he ſaid he muſt ſee him; and at night he came, and ſaid he had been within four or five miles of Graveſend, but he could not ſee him; he ſaid he was very ill, at the ſmell of the ſhip, and had left a ſhilling for my huſband: he came again, and ſaid there was a pardon lying in the office for my huſband, but it could not be got out without having two men to be bound for his good behaviour for two or three years; and that he had two men of property, but they would not be bound under two guineas, and then there would be nothing more to do: I gave him two guineas for that purpoſe the next day; then he came and aſked me if I was ready for him, and I gave it him with all the pleaſure in the world.

How did you get the money together?— By pawning my clothes, and the bed from under me: I have ſix children, all boys; he knew my diſtreſs, and ſaw all this; one of my boys had the misfortune, the very day I went with him to go to the ſhip, to fall down an area and break his thigh; when I returned, I found my child under the doctor's hands: the pardon was to come in a few days: a few days after this, I called at his lodgings again; he ſaid he was doing my buſineſs, neglecting his own, as if I was his ſiſter, but he could not get the pardon from the office: at laſt, he came to my apartments, and ſaid, I have good news for you, I have a conditional pardon for your huſband, to go for an Eaſt-India ſoldier; and he ſaid, our labour is all loſt, and the expences all thrown away; he had better have been as he was; I was of the ſame opinion; I aſked him if there were any means of getting him off; he ſaid yes, there were, but he knew I could not ſtand the expence, as I had been ſo much diſtreſſed before; and I aſked him what it would be at the outſide; he took a pen and ink, and wrote down ſomething for 4l. and then he could get him off from being a

ſoldier; could arreſt him, or ſomething of that ſort.

Mr. Garrow. What did he get by this laſt lie?—He got the value of 4l. I ſold my bed for two guineas, and pawned my buckles, and ſold and pawned every thing I could make money of, but I could not raiſe the 4l. I could only raiſe about 3l. 17s. or thereabouts; he ſaid he would make up the reſt for me.

You never got a pardon?—No.

Nor never would, in ſuch hands, till the day of judgment, certainly.

Priſoner. My Lord, being deprived of counſel, I ſhould eſteem it a favour to be permitted to examine the proſecutrix.

Court. Certainly, you may aſk her any queſtions you pleaſe.

Priſoner. My Lord, I wiſh to aſk Mrs. Yoſtus how ſhe firſt became acquainted with me?—A perſon came and wrote his name down.

Did not you come to the Red-lion, in Old-Bethlehem, and apply to me to get a petition drawn, in order to get your huſband a pardon?—Yes, I did; it was ſomewhere by Old Bethlehem; I do not know the ſign.

Was not it then agreed on for me to draw a petition for that purpoſe?—Yes.

After I had drawn that petition, and carried it to your houſe, and read it over to you, whether ſeveral of your friends, and particularly your huſband's maſter, refuſed to ſign the ſame?—Some refuſed it, becauſe they did not know him, becauſe he had been in town but a ſhort time.

Whether or no I did not get ſeveral of your friends to ſign this petition?—Yes.

After that, whether or no you did not go with me to ſeveral reſpectable people; the firſt was Mr. Evans, the wine and brandy merchant, the corner of York-ſtreet?—I ſaid ſo before.

Did not you give me one guinea, not two?—You had a guinea for writing the petition, and a guinea to give in with the petition.

At that ſame time?—Yes.

Recollect yourſelf.—Yes.

Did not I deſire you to meet me at the Prince William Henry's, at Charing-croſs, the next day to Good-Friday, when I brought you the petition?—I do not recollect the ſign, I did meet you by appointment, and went with you to the place.

Now, Mrs. Yoſtus, we went into the Treaſury, as I call it, and I went up a great number of ſtone ſtairs, till we came to the top of the building, to a green door; do you recollect going up a large flight of ſtairs?—I do not remember any thing of the door; I remember going up a *ſight* of ſtairs, but I do not know what office it was.

Do you recollect, after that, my drawing a petition to the worſhipful Recorder?—Yes.

You went with me, and ſaw me deliver it in to his lordſhip's ſervant?—Yes.

Do you recollect another petition being alſo drawn up to Baron Hotham?—Yes; and you dropt it down the area, as a perſon ſaid my lord was not at home.

Do you recollect my taking a letter to Lord Grenville's houſe in St. James's-ſtreet with you?—Yes, I went with you with all the three letters that you have mentioned.

Now, Mrs. Yoſtus, I ſhall be glad to know at what time the 3l. 17s. was paid to me; when was that?—You had it of me, and you know you had it of me.

It is amazing to me that you cannot recollect the day; if I pay any money, I can recollect the day.—It is not ſurpriſing, conſidering the ſtate of mind I was in.

After this ſuppoſed time of receiving theſe different ſums, did you employ me any further in the buſineſs reſpecting your huſband?—You know I did.

Court. Then you continued to employ him afterwards?—Yes.

Priſoner. I think another circumſtance, but you ſpeak ſo low, but only I gain information from the learned counſel, it was when going to the ſide of the ſhip, that I came up and told you I could not ſee him, and you ſaid you would go yourſelf?—Yes, and indeed I did go, but you had never been there.

Will you ſwear that?—They told me you never had been there.

But

But telling will not do, good woman.

Court. If you aſk the queſtion, you muſt take the anſwer.

Priſoner. Did I repreſent to you that I was acquainted with Captain Manning, of the Pitt, and did I go with you?—I went there with him.

Did not I uſe every endeavour in my power to prevail on the Captain to let you go aboard to ſee your huſband?—Certainly you did, but it was a falſe pretence you made to him.

I am not talking about a falſe pretence, or what pretence it was; was not the Captain's orders that he ſhould be on board on the Friday following, and if I would ſend a letter by you to him, you ſhould be permitted to go on board?—That is very true.

I think you ſaid that Captain Manning ſhould tell you, if your huſband was ſo unfortunate to go out in the ſhip Pitt, he ſhould be liberated from his irons, and aſſiſt the cook?—Yes, he told me ſo.

Do you recollect a petition preſented to the King?—As you ſaid.

Likewiſe another to the Queen?—As you informed me.

Have not you, before and ſince that time, expreſſed that you was fully ſatisfied with my conduct, that I had done every thing to ſerve you?—It was all a pretence, for you got me no pardon.

Have you not ſaid ſo?—I was not ſatisfied.

Court. Have you ever ſaid that you was ſatisfied with him, and that he had done all he could?—Never any thing of that kind; all I ſaid was, that he ſhould bring my huſband to me, and I ſhould be ſatisfied; that was what I gave him the money for; if I had had ten times as much, I ſhould have given it him; he ſaid he would bring my huſband to me, and he would forfeit his life if he did not.

Have you any other witneſſes to prove the payments?—No; he always wiſhed me to keep it as a ſecret, and ſo I did, or elſe I ſhould not have done as I have, if I had let my friends know it.

Priſoner. My Lord, I am in an aukward ſituation here; this is a matter between party and party.

WILLIAM POLLACK, Eſq. *ſworn.*

Mr. Garrow. You are ſo good, Sir, to attend from the Secretary of State's office?—Yes.

If there had been any pardon for William Yoſtus, it would have come to your knowledge?—I cannot poſſibly charge my memory; they all go through my hands; I have carefully peruſed my book, which I have with me; there is no reference to the Judge, which is a previous ſtep to the ordering of a pardon.

Therefore, of courſe, no pardon could have been applied for?—Certainly not.

If by any accident ſuch pardon had been there, no fee whatever would have been taken with it, but it would have been ſent to the Judge who tried the priſoner in the regular courſe of office?—Undoubtedly.

I mean the Secretary of State's letter?—It is the ſign manual, directed to the Recorder of London, and in the country to the ſheriffs.

Court. With reſpect to theſe pardons, I may have been miſinformed, but I wiſh to know whether any perſon is not intitled to take that pardon out of your office?—Yes, they do.

When theſe are taken out, is not there a certain fee by act of parliament?—Yes, by the eſtabliſhed fees of the office, there is a fee of 1l. 7s. 6d.; that does not occur three times in a long period.

Mr. Garrow. Could it have been true that a pardon for this man, Yoſtus, had been laying in the office, and might be fetched away for paying the fees?—No.

Of courſe it is equally untrue that there was a conditional pardon?—Certainly.

Court. Suppoſing there had been a pardon there, and this man had paid the fee, would not he have been entitled to have it delivered to him?—Certainly, Sir.

Mr. Garrow. But in this caſe neither was there any pardon, any ſign manual, or any reference to the Judge?—No, there is no pardon whatever granted, unleſs there is a reference to the Judge; and it appears, from

from my book, that there was no reference, and conſequently could not be any pardon.

PRISONER's DEFENCE.

My Lord; the proſecutrix, Mary Yoſtus, came to me, to endeavour to obtain his Majeſty's royal pardon for her unfortunate huſband, who from the circumſtances, and the nature of the caſe ſhe laid down, I thought there might be a probability of obtaining the ſame; accordingly I made uſe of every method, not only by my own knowledge, but thoſe that knew, and drew the petitions, and with care and trouble got them ſigned; in the next place, thoſe different ſums of money ſhe has already charged me with; it is impoſſible, where there are only two people concerned in any matter of buſineſs, for one to confute the other; I may ſay I have not received that ſum, ſhe may ſay I have; I cannot clear myſelf any further than in denying abſolutely the charge before ſtated; the ſum of 8l. 8s. which ſum I received at different times, on account of the different ſervices that have been carried on in that buſineſs: now, my Lord, in the next place, this woman knew where I dwelt; the laſt time of that buſineſs was on the Whit-Monday; had ſhe been agrieved any way, I ſhould rather have ſuppoſed ſhe would have called to know how I had ſucceeded in the buſineſs: Lord Grenville at this time went out of the home department into the foreign department, and the Right Hon. Henry Dundas came in; it was the mode of proceeding to petition; ſhe did not come, being diſappointed: next, it is very evident, on her own information, that there was buſineſs carried on by me after theſe ſuppoſed charges; and ſhe tells you ſhe has employed me afterwards: now, is it competent to your reaſon and underſtanding to ſuppoſe that ſhe ſhould put any further faith or confidence in a man to carry on any further buſineſs of that ſort; it is a very clear matter to me, this is a piece of buſineſs brought with intent to anſwer ſome private purpoſe, and ſhe has got ſome perſon to inform Mr. Shelton of it; he, as a gentleman, undoubtedly took up the matter to proſecute; that I admit to be very right and juſt; but thoſe accuſations have no ground; it is party againſt party; it is morally impoſſible, where two people are concerned, and where the buſineſs is directly between party and party; ſhe might have as well have aſſured the Court that ſhe paid me 50l.; it was out of my power to confute her. My Lord, I have acted throughout this buſineſs with no intent, either directly or indirectly, to take advantage of this woman whatever; I did every thing as far as lay in my power in the buſineſs; and in conſequence of which I muſt obſerve, that my wife was the perſon who got the petition to the Queen into the Counteſs Dowager of Effingham's family; it was ſent by her, and preſented; whether it had any effect, I cannot ſay; ſhe got a violent cold by ſo doing, and has never ſince been able to do the domeſtic duties of the family: I have three children, and one of them blind: I have only to ſay, that, upon this charge only, were I this night ſummoned before the great tribunal of the awful ſeat of God, to anſwer for the deeds I have done in this life, and had no other charge to anſwer for, I am ſure I ſhould be perfectly happy; I am totally innocent; I never received any ſum or ſums of money on thoſe preſences whatever; I have received ſums of money as neceſſary for a perſon acting for ſix weeks, going here and there, backwards and forwards, from Shoreditch to Charing-croſs, to meet this good woman at different public-houſes; undoubtedly her mind was very uneaſy; I put her to no expence on that account; ſhe has often declared ſhe was fully ſatisfied with my conduct: I now addreſs myſelf to your candour and benevolence in this buſineſs; I am perfectly ſatisfied that I have done every thing to ſerve the woman. Gentlemen of the Jury, I truſt to your diſcrimination and candour in this affair; I hope you will ſee this proſecution like to a man that builds his houſe on the ſand, without any foundation.

GUILTY.

Tranſported for ſeven years.

Tried by the London Jury before Mr. RECORDER.

The

MARY GRAHAM *was ſet to the Bar, when Mr. Baron* PERRYN *delivered the* OPINION *of the* TWELVE JUDGES *on her Caſe, which was reſerved for their Deciſion, in the following Words,* viz.

Mary Graham, you was in July ſeſſions laſt tried for a felony, and convicted on an indictment for ſtealing two table ſpoons, the property, as laid in that indictment, of James Hamilton, Eſquire, commonly called Earl of Clanbraſſil in the kingdom of Ireland: it turned out, on the evidence, that the perſon who was the proſecutor of the indictment was in fact the Earl of Clanbraſſil; and, after your conviction, it was objected, that the indictment ought to have been laid as the property of the Earl of Clanbraſſil, and not the property of James Hamilton, Eſquire: your ſentence was reſpited on the ground of this objection, and it has been referred to the Judges; and I believe eleven of the Judges attended, and they were all unanimouſly of opinion; the queſtion being, Whether the proſecutor was properly deſcribed in this indictment or not? they were all of opinion that the deſcription was proper, that it was laid in proper form. The authorities upon which this opinion were founded were Lord Coke 316. where an indictment againſt Lord Sacker was by the name of Robert Coleton, Eſquire; and this was held ſufficient: and there are two other authorities, which my brother has given me, 2d Inſtitute, 667, 668. on the Statute of Additions, 1 H. 5. where Dukes, Marquiſſes, Earls, Viſcounts, and Barons, if not Lords of the Parliament of England, are called Eſquires; but if Knights, they are called Nobile. 2d Hawkins, C. 23. ſect. 99. "No one can be well deſcribed by "the addition of a temporary dignity of "Ireland, or any other nation beſides our "own, becauſe no ſuch dignity can give a "man higher title here than that of Eſquire." On theſe authorities the Judges were of opinion that the indictment was formal and ſufficient, and that you were properly convicted: Sentence will be delivered by the Recorder at the uſual time.

The Trials being ended, the Court proceeded to paſs Sentence, as follows:

Received Sentence of Death, 4, viz.

Auſtin John — — 1
Bean Edw. alias Brown (Judgm. reſpited) 19
Cluer William — — 9
Foot James — — 18

To be Tranſported for Seven Years, 28, viz.

Allan William — — 17
Banks, alias Bates George — 40
Clarke George — — 21
Cook Thomas — — 34
Dickerman John — — 27
Durham Charles — — 5
Gillmore Matthew — — 11
Harper Sarah — —
Heyton John — — 27
Jones John — — 32
Izzey William — — 38
Leach William — — 15
Lewis Thomas — — 35
Martin John — — 8
Millan William — — 43
Norman John — — 23
Shelton Thomas — — 8
Slack John — — 10
Smith Robert — — 11
——— William — — 16
Tireſman Robert — — 38
Wade John — — 11
Waine Jordan — — 47
Weſt Bartholomew — — 12
Wheeler Edward — — 21
White William, alias Golding — 46
Wilſon James — — 3
Wynn James — — 31

To be impriſoned Twelve Months, 2, viz.

William Denzell (ſecurity for 2 years)
Joſeph Lockley (fined 1s.)

To be impriſoned Six Months, 4, viz.

Ann Jones (fined 1s.)
Sarah Whitlock (fined 1s.)
Morgan Lewis (fined 1s.)
James Fagan (fined 1s.)

To be impriſoned Three Months, 2, viz.

Thomas Whittle
James Lawler

To be impriſoned One Month, 5, viz.

William Waylen (fined 1s.)
David Carter
William Rogers (fined 1s.)
John Smay (fined 1s.)
Edward Barnes (fined 1s.)

To be Whipped, 8, viz.

Charles Richmond (and ſent to the Philanthropic Society), Thomas Whittle, David Carter, James Lawler, George Cowland, Samuel Jenkins, Charles Ellis, and James Dolan,

Judgment reſpited.

Edward Bryan
Edward Brown, alias Bean
Mary Graham
James Mannikey.

The TRIAL of JOHN VOYER, for FORGERY, was poſtponed till the next Seſſion.

The next Seſſion will begin on WEDNESDAY, the 11th of January, at the Seſſions-Houſe, in the Old-Bailey.

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London Jury.	*Firſt Middleſex Jury.*	*Second Middleſex Jury.*
Joſeph Hodgſon	Martin Robinſon	Samuel Acton
Richard Oakley	Solomon Erwood	William Buckland
William Waites	Thomas Norris	George Roberts
Benjamin Godwin	John Wilmot	John Paſs
Wm. Henry Collingham	Cornelius Paſs	William Phillips
John Diſtoff	Daniel Wildman	James Maitland
John Oſborne	Joſeph Simpſon	James Bevan
John Palmer	Edward Brooke	James Collyer
John Simpſon	George Fryer	Joſeph Moore
David Betſon	William Yeomans	Richard Hamilton
Peter Smith	George Hollands	Hugh Burne
Richard Price	William Hall	William Moore

48. WILLIAM WALLIS was indicted for feloniouſly making an aſſault, in the King's highway, on John Forreſter, on the 20th of December laſt, and putting him in fear, and feloniouſly taking from his perſon, and againſt his will, one man's hat, value 2s. 6d. the goods of the ſaid John Forreſter.

JOHN

JOHN FORRESTER *ſworn.*

I am a journeyman ſmith; the priſoner is a ſtranger; this happened in Roſemary-lane, on Tueſday before Chriſtmas-day, about ſix o'clock, or two or three minutes afterwards; I was coming down, I had been to my maſter's, from work, and the priſoner knocked me down; I worked down in Church-lane, but I had then come from my maſter's, in Tower-ſtreet, who is a hoop-bender, and was going home to Church-lane, to my own home; I have a ſhop there; he never ſpoke to me, but he met me, and knocked me down; he kicked my heels up, and then laid hold of me by the collar, and put his knee upon my breaſt. and I cried out luſtily, and he took my hat away, and made his eſcape; he did nothing to me when I was down, but took my hat: there were plenty of lamps near: he never ſpoke to me: I did not ſee him ſtopped in my preſence; I never ſaw him till he was taken up, which was Chriſtmas-day in the morning, and the next day, boxing-day, when he was before the juſtice; I *knowed* him, becauſe I took particular notice of him when he had me down, and had his knee upon me; and I looked up, and took particular notice of him: I was ſent for to go to the Juſtice's, and there was nobody with him but the officer, but I knew him directly; I ſaw my hat before the juſtices, it was given to me there, and the conſtable has it now; I am ſure that is the priſoner that had me down; I told him I was very well known in the neighbourhood, and I took particular notice of him.

Priſoner. Had the man that robbed you a ſore hand?—I did not take particular notice.

SAMUEL STEWARD *ſworn.*

Court. Have you ever been ſworn before?—Only before the juſtices and Grand Jury.

How old are you?—Fourteen, next May.

Do you know what will become of you, if you ſwear what is falſe?—Yes, Sir, I ſhall go to hell. I am a pawnbroker's 'prentice; I know the priſoner very well; my maſter's name is Mr. Findley, and lives at No. 61, Cable-ſtreet; the priſoner pawned a hat for 1s. on the 20th of December, Tueſday night, about eight o'clock; the officer has the hat now.

Priſoner. Was I ever in your maſter's ſhop ſince I releaſed this hat which I have now in my hand?—He did pawn that hat, but he took it out again before the 20th of December.

ANN FINDLEY *ſworn.*

I keep a pawnbroker's ſhop; I was in the ſhop when the hat was pawned; I am ſure it was the priſoner that pawned it, the 20th of December, about eight o'clock in the evening; I know him well by coming to the ſhop.

PETER MAYNE *ſworn.*

I am an officer; I produce a hat I had from Mrs. Findley.

(The hat produced and depoſed to.)

Priſoner. My lord, I never took any active part about that man, nor ever ſaw him in my life before.

Jury to Forreſter. How came you to know that the hat was before the juſtice's?—I was ordered before the juſtice by Mayne.

Court. Had you told the officer about it?—I had not, but I went to two or three pawnbrokers about it.

Court to Mayne. How came you to get your knowledge that this man was robbed?—By an acquaintance, and was from the Wedneſday till Sunday before I found him, and then I took him in bed.

GUILTY, **Death.** (Aged 40.)

Tried by the firſt Middleſex Jury before Mr. RECORDER.

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49. THOMAS CRAGGS was indicted for burglariouſly and feloniouſly breaking and entering the dwelling-houſe of Joſeph Woodcock, about the hour of ſeven in the night, on the 20th of December laſt, and burglariouſly ſtealing therein three claſp knives, value 9s. the goods of the ſaid Joſeph Woodcock.

JOSEPH

JOSEPH WOODCOCK *ſworn.*

I live in Drury-lane; I am a cutler; about the 20th of December, about half paſt ſeven, I was ſitting in a room adjoining a ſhop; a woman told me, Mr. Woodcock, there is certainly ſomebody at your window; I got up, and ſaw a diviſion in the box which was within the window, and I thought I ſaw at the ſame time ſomething drawing out, either an inſtrument or a knife, and I heard a noiſe of the glaſs of the window; I opened the door, and obſerved the priſoner and two more ſtanding againſt the place which was broke open; they went off; I called to two men to mind the ſhop, and on going out I found them got about 300 yards, and I followed them, and when they got to the end of the ſtreet they almoſt immediately croſſed between two drays; I got on the pavement almoſt as ſoon as them, and this Craggs had one of the knives naked in his hand; I took hold of his hand, and, ſays I, you have got more than what is your own; we got to a baker's ſhop door; I twiſted him about into the paſſage of the baker's ſhop, and there were three people in the ſhop; the other two went off; I ſaid to the baker, Mr. Hubbard, I will be obliged to you to let me ſtop this man while I ſend for a conſtable; I took the knife out of his hand; a conſtable came, and ſearched him, but found nothing on him but a duplicate; when I came home, I found another knife gone from the box, which was found in the area; and ſeveral other things were miſſing; the conſtable has the knife which was taken from the priſoner.

EDWARD TREADWAY *ſworn.*

I produce the knife delivered to me by Mr. Woodcock.

(Depoſed to.)

PRISONER's DEFENCE.

I had been to my aunt's, in St. Martin's-lane, and coming up Drury-lane two boys came and aſked me whether I would buy a knife; I aſked what they wanted for it; they ſaid 8d. I told them I would give them 6d. and they ſaid I ſhould have it, and before I could get the money out the gentleman took me directly.

Court. What buſineſs are you?—I am a turner; I work at Mr. Pain's, Old Bethlem, No. 12.

Court to Mr. Woodcock. Are you ſure that this was one of the three lads that you ſaw at your window?—I am; I never loſt ſight of them.

GUILTY of ſtealing only.
(Aged 18.)

Tried by the firſt Middleſex Jury before the Lord CHIEF BARON.

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50. ANDREW GALONEY was indicted for burglariouſly and feloniouſly breaking and entering the dwelling-houſe of John Pillar, about the hour of ſix in the morning, on the 19th of December laſt, and burglariouſly ſtealing therein one looking-glaſs in a walnut-tree gilt frame, value 20s. the goods of the ſaid John Pillar.

JOHN PILLAR *ſworn.*

I live in Lower Shadwell; I keep a public-houſe, the Half-moon: on the 19th of December I loſt a large looking-glaſs, about half paſt ſix, or twenty minutes to ſeven, in the morning; it was taken out of my back parlour; I perceived it gone about twenty minutes before ſeven; I was in the houſe; I did not ſee any ſtranger come, and no part of it was broke open; about an hour's time my ſervant went over the way to buy ſome bread for breakfaſt, and ſhe mentioned it, and there were two boys there, and I went over myſelf in leſs than half a minute's time, and the boys told me, if I would give them ſomething to drink, they would tell me who was carrying the glaſs, and they told me his name; in conſequence I immediately ſent for an officer, George Forreſter, to go after it, I did not go with him, and he came down ſoon after, and I went and ſaw the glaſs about nine o'clock at one Willington's, a pawnbroker's; I am ſure it is my glaſs; the priſoner was in my houſe

houſe three or four years back, drawing beer; I ſaw him again between nine and ten in the evening, when an officer brought him to my houſe.

GEORGE FORRESTER *ſworn.*

I am headborough; Mr. Pillar ſent to me to inquire for the looking-glaſs, and I went to Mr. Willington's and found it out, and they ſaid they took it in of one Sarah Fenner; and this girl told me that Andrew Galoney had ſent her; I did not apprehend the priſoner.

SARAH FENNER *ſworn.*

I live in New Gravel-lane; the priſoner, Andrew Galoney, aſked me if I would go an errand for him; I told him yes, and I went and pawned the glaſs, which he gave me, at Mr. Willington's, for 9s. and I gave it him all but one halfpenny; I live along with Mr. Chapman, a ſailor; I became acquainted with the priſoner at the public-houſe.

Priſoner. Mr. Chapman keeps a houſe for girls of the town, he lets lodgings to them.

JOSEPH WILLINGTON *ſworn.*

I am a pawnbroker; I live in New Gravel-lane; I produce the glaſs; Sarah Fenner left it at my houſe on the 19th of December, it was pawned for 9s.

(Depoſed to.)

——— WINTER *ſworn.*

I am an officer, and apprehended the priſoner.

(The confeſſion read by the clerk.)

Priſoner. I was on Mr. Pillar's platform, and I ſaw this glaſs behind the bags in the yard, and I took it; and Mr. Pillar ſaid, if I would confeſs I took it out of the place, he would proſecute me no further.

Court to Pillar. Did you tell him, if he would confeſs, you would not proſecute?—I did tell him, if he would confeſs of any thing that was taken out of the houſe before, as I had loſt above thirty pounds worth of plate and other things, I would forgive him that crime.

(The priſoner called two witneſſes, who gave him a good character.)

GUILTY of ſtealing only.
(Aged 18.)

Tried by the firſt Middleſex Jury before Mr. Juſtice BULLER.

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51. SIMON SOLOMONS was indicted for feloniouſly ſtealing, on the 5th of January, twenty-five yards of Iriſh linen, value 20s. the goods of Thomas Nelſon, privily in his ſhop.

(The witneſſes examined ſeparate.)

THOMAS NELSON *ſworn.*

I am a mercer and linen-draper, in St. Botolph, Biſhopſgate-ſtreet Without: on the morning of the 5th of January, on a Thurſday, a little before half after ſeven, I had taken down the front ſhop, and I was unſcrewing the ſhutters of the other, the back ſhop, and I heard a noiſe, and looked round and ſaw the priſoner on the threſhold of the door, going out; I immediately cried out, ſtop thief! and purſued him, and did not loſe ſight of him until I had ſecured him and brought him back; the piece was dropt at the door; I ſaw it laying on the footway as I was going out after him; I let it lie there, and followed him, and when I came back I ſaw it in the hands of John Dowſy; I ſaw nobody there but the priſoner nigh where the cloth lay, and it was not above three feet from the door.

Mr. Knapp, Priſoner's Counſel. Where is your ſhop ſituated?—In Biſhopſgate-ſtreet Without.

Have you any partner?—No.

How many perſons might there be in the ſhop?—None, except myſelf.

Is it a large ſhop?—No.

You have ſhopmen, I preſume?—I have a man and a boy; but at this time the man was getting his hair dreſſed, and the boy

was doing his ordinary work, cleaning knives and ſhoes.

Had not the man or boy been in the ſhop before you that morning?—No, I was the firſt in the ſhop.

Did you obſerve any thing when you turned your head?—The firſt thing I obſerved was the priſoner at the threſhold of the door.

You ſaid you heard ſomething drawing acroſs the counter, I want to know whether you ſaw any thing?—I ſaw nothing but the priſoner on the threſhold of the door.

I think, if you heard ſomebody drawing ſomething off the counter, you would naturally look round?—That cauſed me to look round.

And what did you ſee?—I ſaw the priſoner at the threſhold of the door.

At the ſame inſtant you ſaw the priſoner at the door you ſaw linen on the threſhold?—No, I did not ſee the linen till I came out.

Had there been any body in the ſhop in the courſe of the morning before?—No one, becauſe I had opened every door myſelf.

Had you opened any Iriſh?—No, none at all.

Then it was packed up?—It was; it was not left open, it was bound up with paper on the outſide of it.

Probably you bought a greater quantity than that?—The day before I bought two pieces.

Had it been opened at all ſince it was bought?—It was opened the day before, to ſee what it contained.

It had not been opened that morning?—No.

Then what it might contain in the morning you only ſuppoſe from meaſuring the night before; was there any mark on it how many yards it contained?—There is the mark on it now.

And you put the mark there?—I marked my own private mark on it.

Did you mark how many yards it contained?—This piece of Iriſh, which was ſtolen, is one that had been dyed, and afterwards calendered, and it is the buſineſs of the calenderer to mark the quantity of the yards on it which it contains.

Court. You do not mean to ſay that you yourſelf the night before had obſerved any mark upon it; you cannot ſwear to it?—Yes, there is my own private mark upon it.

Mr. Knapp. The firſt that you ſaw of it, after you came out of the ſhop, was on the pavement?—It was.

JOHN DOWSEY *ſworn.*

I am a ſilk weaver; on the 5th of this month, Thurſday, I was going by the proſecutor's door, about twenty minutes paſt ſeven in the morning; I obſerved the priſoner at the bar coming out of the ſhop of Mr. Nelſon with a piece of goods under his arm; and when he was at the threſhold of the door, Mr. Nelſon cried out, ſtop thief! when the priſoner got about a yard off from the threſhold, I ſaw him let fall the goods, and I picked them up, and gave them to the proſecutor immediately, and he delivered them to the conſtable.

Mr. Knapp. Did you know the priſoner before?—No, never ſaw him before, as I know of.

You ſaid you ſhould not know the piece of goods again?—I ſhould know the ſame piece I ſaw before the Lord-Mayor, but whether it was the ſame as was dropped I cannot take upon me to ſay.

THOMAS SAPWELL *ſworn.*

I produce a piece of brown Iriſh; I got it from the proſecutor, Mr. Nelſon, and have kept it ever ſince.

(Depoſed to by Mr. Nelſon by his own private mark; it is worth twenty ſhillings.)

Mr. Knapp. Have you had a bill delivered?—I have.

You told me you bought two pieces?—I did.

Were they the ſame quantity?—I do not know exactly.

Have you the ſame mark on that at home?—Yes.

You

You received this from the witneſs?—I did.

Will you take upon you to ſwear that this may not be the other piece which you have at home?—Moſt certainly I will.

Court. Have you kept that piece which the witneſs Dowſey gave you to this time to bring it here?—I gave it to the conſtable immediately.

It hath had no connection with this piece?—No, never; that has been up ſtairs ever ſince.

With regard to that piece, had you only ſeen it the night before, or had you ſeen it that morning?—I had ſeen it on the counter that morning.

(Depoſed to.)

GUILTY of ſtealing, but not privily.

Tried by the London Jury before Mr. RECORDER.

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52. WILLIAM LAMBE was indicted or ſtealing, on the 2d of January, 300 lb. weight of lead, value 54s. belonging to the Right Hon. Frederick Auguſtus Berkley, Earl of Berkley, and affixed to a certain building of his, againſt the ſtatute.

MARY ELLIS *ſworn.*

I was left in Lord Berkley's houſe, in Grafton-ſtreet, to take care of it; it was three doors from the corner houſe: on Monday, the 2d of January, I ſaw ſome of the lead had been cut off, and taken away; it was a flat roof; I gave no alarm; I never ſaw any perſon on the lead till the Monday evening, between five and ſix, I ſaw three men on the ſame leads; I called out, ſtop thief! I could not diſtinguiſh any of the men.

Court. How high was the leads from the ground?—I cannot ſay.

WILLIAM TODD *ſworn.*

I am a groom to Mr. Amyand; I was coming along Grafton-ſtreet on Monday evening, about ſix o'clock; Mr. Dugar was before me; and I ſaw a perſon jump from the wall and run acroſs the way, and Mr. Scott's ſervant and me ſecured him; he was the ſame man that jumped from the wall, he never was out of my ſight; that is the priſoner; he had on a ſmock frock; he appeared to be very much in liquor; he went very quietly till a man of the name of Evans was taken; then he appeared to be very obſtinate, and refuſed to go along; he laid himſelf down on the pavement; the patrol took a knife from him, which is here; he denied being on the wall.

(The knife ſhewn to the Jury.)

WILLIAM DUGAR *ſworn.*

I am a ſervant; I heard the alarm given; I ran out, and I ſaw the priſoner jump from the wall; I am certain to his perſon; the wall was about ſeven feet; I had hold of a ſhort ſmock frock he had on; he got away, and was taken by the other perſons; he never was out of my ſight; he appeared to me not to be in liquor, but to ſham to be ſo.

WILLIAM BLOCK *ſworn.*

I am ſervant to Mr. Scott; I found this lead on the top of the wall of my Lord Berkley's premiſes; next to that wall is this wall, which is a dead garden; the two walls join together; that from whence the priſoner jumped is the higheſt by two foot.

JOHN CREW *ſworn.*

I am ſervant to Mr. Crew, the plumber; I have examined this piece of lead; it correſponds; it is part of my Lord's.

(The priſoner called ſix witneſſes, who gave him a good character.)

GUILTY.

Tried by the firſt Middleſex Jury before Mr. Juſtice BULLER.

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53. THOMAS NORRIS was indicted for ſtealing, on the 28th of December, 29 lb. weight of lead, value 2s. belonging to James Meredith Parrott, and affixed to his dwelling-houſe.

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JAMES MEREDITH PARROT *ſworn.*

On the 29th of December laſt I was informed I had loſt ſome lead; and I ſaw, between twelve and three, a quantity of lead was taken off a room which forms a part of my dwelling-houſe, in Bridge-ſtreet, Weſtminſter; I cannot tell when I ſaw it there; but I think, if it had been removed the preceding morning, I muſt have ſeen it gone; there is a common thoroughfare behind my houſe, called Bridge-court; and as the whole of this room was flat-roofed, and covered with lead, I gave the patrol notice, and informed two of the Bow-ſtreet officers, and communicated to them my loſs; they ſaid they had taken up a man the night before with a quantity of lead, and had the man in cuſtody; they went to the top of the room, to view the premiſes, I went with them; and the next morning they brought ſome lead, and I went with them to the top of the room, and ſaw the lead fitted to the place from whence my lead had been taken; that was the lead they brought with them; it was not all the lead, but it fitted exactly, as far as it went; and it was the ſame ſort, colour, and appearance; the lead is in the poſſeſſion of the officers.

FRANCIS WAYLAND *ſworn.*

I met the priſoner, the 28th of December, a little before nine; he had paſſed me juſt by Privy-Gardens, coming along; we took him into cuſtody; he had ſome lead; the next day we ſaw the proſecutor, and fitted the lead; it appeared to be lately cut, and fitted directly; it is about 29lb. weight; I do not know the value; I found this knife on him.

Parrott. I do not know the value.

PRISONER's DEFENCE.

I work in St. George's-row, and coming over Weſtminſter-bridge, it was a hard froſt, and I picked up this lead, and two men came paſt; ſays I, I have picked up a prize; they ſaid it was lead; I ſaid, if you will not take it, I will; ſo I put it over my ſhoulder, to take it to St. James's watch-houſe, to ſee if any body owned it.

(The priſoner called three witneſſes, who gave him a good character.)

GUILTY.

Tried by the firſt Middleſex Jury before Mr. Juſtice WILSON.

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54. JAMES WILLIS and JOHN BAILEY were indicted for ſtealing, on the 2d of January, a wooden boat, value 8l. the property of Robert Haywood.

A ſecond Count, For ſtealing 6 Cwt. of hemp, value 4l. the property of perſons unknown.

(The caſe opened by Mr. Knapp.)

(The witneſſes examined ſeparate.)

WILLIAM COMYN *ſworn.*

I am maſter of the boat Eliza, belonging to the ſhip Eliza, which belongs to Robert Haywood, Eſq; of the Iſle of Man; the boat was faſtened; we went down about half paſt ſeven to take our ſupper; at paſt eight we miſſed the boat; the boat was the property of Mr. Haywood.

THOMAS KELLY *ſworn.*

I was on board the Eliza; I made the boat faſt myſelf; I went down to ſupper; the boat was made faſt about ſix, and miſſed paſſed eight; I did not come up; Robert Lewin came up; one end of the painter was in the boat, and the other is faſt on board ſhip yet; I believe the other end of the painter was cut.

JOHN PATERSON *ſworn.*

I am a watchman, a patrol to prevent thieves robbing the boats; I was on the river the 2d of January, between eight and ten; it was ſlack water; we were rowing up; I bowed the boat; my maſter ſaid, here comes a towing match; two men were towing; one of our people chucked me into the boat of the ſhip, to take care of it, when I came up with the wherry; we carried

ried the hemp into Mr. Climber's houſe; I believe there was ſix hundred and a half of hemp; we left the boat at our boat-builder's; Eliza was wrote on the ſtem of the boat; I do not know who the two men were that were towing.

WILLIAM CLIMBER *ſworn.*

I remember being on the river the 2d of January laſt, about half after ſeven or eight; we went out, and in rowing up the river, one of my men ſaid, maſter, here is a towing match; I turned, and ſaw a boat at a diſtance, and there were the two priſoners drawing a ſhip's boat; I am ſure of the priſoners, I knew them before; I went cloſe to them; we ſecured the boat, and purſued them, and never loſt ſight of them; Willis had the rope over his left arm, Bailey was pulling the ſculls; when I ſaw him come ſo cloſe, I ſaw him chuck the rope from his arm, and away they rowed; I purſued them as ſoon as I could wind the boat round; I never loſt ſight of them till they ſhot round the tier; then I ſaw Willis jump out of the boat, and I loſt ſight of him all at once; I then purſued Bailey, and there was a boat ſtopped; I am conſcious he is the perſon; one of the other witneſſes brought Willis all over wet; there were ſixty odd heads of hemp, that is, ſix hundred and a half in all; the boat had the name of Eliza on the ſtem.

Court. Has Comyn ſeen that boat ſince?—He ſaw it the next morning.

Court to Comyn. Was the boat you ſaw the next morning the boat you loſt?—Yes.

Mr. Garrow, Priſoner Willis's Counſel. Have you been long uſed to the river?—Yes, ever ſince I was nine years old.

Sometimes you pick up a boat on drift?—Yes; then we take her and ſecure her to the neareſt place.

WILLIAM PIERCE *ſworn.*

I was at Union-ſtairs between nine and ten in the evening; I heard a cry of ſtop thief! I went into my boat; I ſaw a boat coming up to Union-ſtairs; I ſtopped it, and it was Bailey; he was taken into cuſtody; he knew me, and called me by my name, and ſaid, do not ſtop me; I ſaid I would; he ſaid, let me go; I ſaid, I cannot; he replied, you are a bloody rogue.

THOMAS LONGHURST *ſworn.*

I was preſent at the taking of Bailey, and I ſaw ſomebody ſplaſhing in the water, and trying to get under the ſhip's bottom; he proceeded on; all at once I miſſed him; then I ſaw his chin level with the water, and his hat came off; the young man that was with me took hold of him, and we hauled him into the boat; that was James Willis; he aſked me what he had done; I ſaid I could not tell him, but we would let him know preſently; we delivered them to an officer.

Court to Comyn. What ſort of a rope was it that faſtened the boat to the ſhip?—It was a tolerable good rope.

Priſoner Willis. I have nothing to ſay.

Priſoner Bailey. I leave it to my counſel.

Mr. Garrow to Willis. If you have any ſtory to tell, you muſt tell it yourſelf; I cannot tell it for you.

PRISONER WILLIS's DEFENCE.

On Monday night I was going to Graveſend; I hired this man as a waterman; we came up to a fifh-boat, and they told us there was a boat with ſomething in her; the maſter of the boat called to us; ſays he, there is a boat with ſomething in, pick her up, and take her to ſhore; ſo immediately the waterman gave me hold of the rope, and I held it till this man came, and began to halloo out, ſtop thief! then I let go immediately.

(The priſoner Willis called ſeven witneſſes, who gave him a good character.)

(The priſoner Bailey called two witneſſes to his character.)

Court to Comyn. You know nothing of the hemp?—No, nor who it belonged to.

BOTH GUILTY.

Tried by the firſt Middleſex Jury before the Lord CHIEF BARON.

55. WILLIAM JAMES was indicted for feloniouſly making an aſſault, in the King's highway, on William Davis, on the 19th of December, and putting him in fear, and feloniouſly taking from his perſon, and againſt his will, a watch with an inſide caſe and outſide caſe made of ſilver, value 40s. a ſteel watch-chain, value 2d. a ſteel watch-ſeal, value 2d. and a watch-key, value 1d. the goods of the ſaid William Davis.

WILLIAM DAVIS *ſworn.*

I am a journeyman carpenter; I am 61 years of age; I loſt my watch, the 19th of December, between ſix and ſeven in the evening, in Marſhall-ſtreet, Carnaby-market; I was going home from my work, and I ſaw a man paſs, which I did not take particular notice of, and then the priſoner came up, and aſked me, how do you do, daddy? and then gave me a ſlight puſh on the breaſt; I hardly knew whether it was meant to hurt me, but he made me lean back, and took my watch out of my pocket, and I cried out ſtop thief! before it was well out of my pocket; I purſued him, and I had the perſon in view till the turning of Broad-ſtreet, and then I loſt him: I purſued the cry, and there was a crowd, and I puſhed into the crowd, and ſaw the priſoner, and to the beſt of my knowledge he is the ſame perſon that took the watch from me; there were ſome lamps near; I did not know his voice; but when he came up, and ſaid, how do you do, daddy? I looked at him, and ſuppoſed it muſt be ſomebody that I knew: I leave him to the mercy of the Court, and the clemency of the Jury? I am 61, and then was quite ſober; I had only part of five pots of beer that afternoon with others.

—— GOREING *ſworn.*

I am a ſmith; I was coming up Broad-ſtreet, and ſaw a man running conſiderably a-head of the other people; the priſoner was running down Broad-ſtreet; Marſhall-ſtreet croſſes Broad-ſtreet; he was by himſelf; the people might be fourteen yards from him, making up towards him, following him; he was the foremoſt, and came running into my arms; he ſaid he was not the man, but was the perſon that cried ſtop thief! I told him he was the firſt perſon I ſaw run; I took him by the collar, and Mr. Davis came up and ſaid he was the man; the watch was picked up in the ſtreet; he was taken to the public-houſe, and a conſtable ſent for.

Mr. Garrow, Priſoner's Counſel. You know that part of the ſtreet where the proſecutor ſays this happened?—Yes.

Between that place where he deſcribed this to have happened, and the place where you met the priſoner, how many ſtreets were there that branched out from the ſtreet you was in?—Cambridge-ſtreet and Poland-ſtreet.

JOHN HARTLEY *ſworn.*

I picked up the watch in Broad-ſtreet, at the end of the croſſing leading from the end of Poland-ſtreet to Cambridge-ſtreet; Marſhall-ſtreet is at the top of Broad-ſtreet.

Suppoſing a perſon had come out of Marſhall-ſtreet into Broad-ſtreet, could he have dropt the watch in that place where you found it?—Yes, he could.

At what time did you pick it up?—I believe it might be a little better than half after ſix, it was after the cry of ſtop thief! that I picked it up, eight or nine minutes; I knew when I picked up the watch that there was ſomebody in cuſtody.

(The watch produced and depoſed to, the proſecutor having had it a great number of years; the name is James Cofield.)

PRISONER's DEFENCE.

Coming up Marſhall-ſtreet, I ſtopped a few minutes; I heard a cry of ſtop thief! I went on, and purſued, and this Goreing cried out, ſtop thief! and ſaid, there he goes; and this gentleman ſtopped me; I ſaid I was not the perſon; I am as innocent of it as you are.

Court. What way of life are you in?—A cabinet-maker.

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(The priſoner called four witneſſes, who gave him a very good character.)

GUILTY, Death.

Tried by the firſt Middleſex Jury before the Lord CHIEF BARON.

He was humbly recommended to mercy by the Jury.

Court. I ſhall certainly attend to that recommendation; for though this ſlight of hand, which theſe people have acquired, is become extremely dangerous to the community, yet there certainly is a difference between that and open and direct violence, and there is certainly a fair ground for your recommendation.

Proſecutor. My Lord, and Gentlemen of the Jury; I hope for mercy to him as I hope for mercy to myſelf, and for the ſake of his poor diſtreſſed mother; and ſorry I am to think he is here.

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56. ELIZABETH WILLIAMS was indicted for feloniouſly ſtealing, on the 6th of January, three cotton ſhawls, value 18s. and two ſilk handkerchiefs, value 5s. the goods of Samuel Coſmo.

SAMUEL COSMO *ſworn.*

I loſt three cotton ſhawls, and two ſilk handkerchiefs; I am a haberdaſher, in Ruſſel-court, Drury-lane.

CHARLOTTE COSMO *ſworn.*

How old are you?—I am juſt turned thirteen.

Do you know what will become of you, if you take a falſe oath?—I cannot think of ever proſpering, if I take a falſe oath.

Do you know nothing more than that; do you know what will become of you, if you take a falſe oath?—I ſhall go to the devil. I ſaw the woman take the things; it was on Friday, the 6th of January, about a quarter before ſix in the evening; Mrs. Detcry gave me the things, and I took them in my lap; ſhe gave me the things to go with the priſoner; ſhe took them as far as the rope-walk, Queen Anne-ſtreet Eaſt, and ſhe took the things from me; ſhe took them out of my lap; ſhe ſaid, if her uncle was within, I ſhould go in with her; but, if not, ſhe would call ſhe in in a minute; ſo ſhe left me juſt by a publick-houſe, and then ſhe ran off.

Did ſhe ſhew you the door that was her uncle's?—No, ſhe did not, nor knock at any door in my preſence, but went off rather quick; ſhe did not come back at all; the three ſhawls have been recovered, but not the handkerchiefs.

MARGARET DETCRY *ſworn.*

I am ſhop-woman; I ſhewed the goods myſelf; ſhe deſired ſome ſhawls, and ſome ſilk handkerchiefs, for her miſtreſs; I thought it was for ſomebody in the neighbourhood; ſhe did not ſay where ſhe lived; I ſent the little girl with her, as I had nobody elſe to ſend, and ſhe deſired they might be ſent: I ſaw three ſhawls in about two hours afterwards; they were brought back by the pawnbroker and conſtable.

——— CHAFFINCH *ſworn.*

I am a pawnbroker; I produce a ſhawl I took in of the priſoner at the bar; I ſtopt her at the time; ſhe came in with one at firſt, and aſked 8s. upon it; I aſked her if it was her own; ſhe ſaid it was; I aſked her if ſhe was ſure of it; ſhe ſaid ſhe would go and fetch the girl they belonged to, and ran out of the ſhop, and threw down two behind her, and the young man in the ſhop ſtopt her juſt at the door; I live in Tottenham-court road; this happened between ſix and ſeven o'clock laſt Friday; ſhe confeſſed they belonged to Mr. Coſmo.

JAMES KENNEDY *ſworn.*

I took her into cuſtody.

(The ſhawls depoſed to by the private mark, one R U and the other A U, and being Mr. Coſmo's hand-writing.)

Priſoner. The girl gave me the things, and after I came out ſhe was gone.

GUILTY.

Impriſoned one month, and fined 1s.

Tried by the ſecond Middleſex Jury before Mr. RECORDER.

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57. RICHARD HAYNES was indicted for feloniously ſtealing, on the 13th of December, one quart pewter pot, value 2s. one pint pewter pot, value 1s. the goods of William Horwood; two pint pots, value 2s. the goods of Rebecca Morton; and one pint pot, value 1s. one half pint, value 6d. the goods of William Wilkins.

WILLIAM HORWOOD *ſworn.*

I keep the Horns, Upper Thames-ſtreet; I loſt a pewter quart pot, and a pewter pint pot, on the 13th of December, at half paſt five; the priſoner came, and I miſſed the pint he drank out of; having ſuſpicion, I ſent for the conſtable, William Williams, and he ſearched him in my houſe, where I detained him, and found a quart pot of mine in his breeches, a pint pot in his boſom, one pint out of his waiſtcoat, and one out of each coat, and a half-pint out of his waiſtcoat; I delivered them all into the conſtable's hands, who lent me the hand to ſearch; my name is on the quart, and a cypher on the pint; it is what they call a bar pint; we particularly miſſed the cypher pot that day, as it was the pint he had to drink out of, and he was aſked for it, and did not produce it.

WILLIAM WILLIAMS *ſworn.*

I am the conſtable; I aſſiſted Mr. Horwood in taking theſe pots from the priſoner; one quart I took from him myſelf, and I have all the things here now which I took and ſaw taken.

(Produced and depoſed to by Mr. Horwood, Mrs. Morton, and Mr. Wilkins.)

—— MORTON *ſworn.*

I keep a public-houſe, the Queen's-head, Darkhouſe-lane; apparently the priſoner ſeems to be the man I have ſeen a number of times; here are two pints of mine, with my name upon them.

WILLIAM WILKINS *ſworn.*

I keep the ſign of the Monument, Little Eaſtcheap; here is a pint and half-pint, with my name upon them, but I cannot ſwear to them; I never miſſed them, and I never ſold any with my name upon them.

Priſoner. I have been out of work a great while, and wanted bread, and have a ſick wife.

GUILTY. (Aged 66.)

Publicly whipped, and impriſoned 3 months.

Tried by the London Jury before Mr. RECORDER.

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58. JOHN NORMAN was indicted for feloniouſly aſſaulting Mark Small, on the King's highway, on the 28th of December laſt, and putting him in fear, and feloniouſly taking from his perſon, and againſt his will, three ſhirts, and other things, value 30s. the property of John Small.

MARK SMALL *ſworn.*

How old are you?—I am fourteen next July.

Do you know what will become of you, if you take a falſe oath?—I ſhall go to hell.

Jury. Do you know the meaning of an oath?—If I ſhould ſwear falſe, I ſhall go in a place of puniſhment. I loſt three bundles I carried from my mother's, Whitehorſe yard, Wells-ſtreet, Eaſt-Smithfield; I was to carry them to Mr. Waldron's, in Catharine-ſtreet, Strand, a cabinet-maker; I was going along Crutched-friars, and this lad came over to me, and aſked me if I could tell him where Lombard-ſtreet was, the Poſt-office, and I was going to give him directions, and he ſaid he would be much obliged to me if I would ſhow him; when I came to Lombard-ſtreet, I ſaid, there is the Poſt-office; never mind, ſays he, I will call as I come back; he followed me, and juſt as I got to St. Andrew's church he ſaid he would give me ſixpence to carry a letter to Ely-place; I took the letter, and he ſhewed me which houſe to go in; as I was going in that houſe, he ſnatched my bag, in which were the three bundles, off my head, hat and all, and then he ran down the ſtreet, and dropt my hat juſt at the bottom

tom of Ely-place; I halloo'd out, ſtop thief! as ſoon as ever I picked my hat up, he was out of my ſight; I ran to Mr. Waldron's, to tell him I was robbed; I cannot tell what time it was, but the lamps were lighted; they were not lighted when I ſet off from home, it was then between three and four; I had not known him before; I took notice of him by his face and voice; I ſaw him again on the Monday, at night, at the Public-office, Eaſt-Smithfield; I ſaw my mother put the things in, but I cannot tell exactly what they were.

JOHN SMALL *ſworn.*

I know that my wife waſhes for the young men the linen was going to, and put up the things.

HANNAH SMALL *ſworn.*

I am wife of John Small: on Chriſtmas-eve I ſent my ſon with three bundles; in one was a waiſtcoat, one pair of blue cotton ſtockings, with ſilk ſtockings; the next was one muſlin neckcloth and other things; and a pair of ſhoes in the third bundle; that he was to carry to Mr. Chappell's, in the firſt place, in Middle-row, Holborn; and the next place he was to go to Mr. Waldron's, Catharine-ſtreet, in the Strand, with the reſt; he came home, and told me he had loſt the things, and ſaid he could ſwear to the perſon from an hundred; I never ſaw any of the things again; I ſuppoſe they might be worth 30s. altogether.

ROBERT DAWSON *ſworn.*

I am the officer that took the priſoner up; the boy and the father came to me on the Monday; he deſcribed to me the man as a ſhort man, black coat, black waiſtcoat, and corduroy breeches, and ſomething particular in his walk, with ſtraight light hair; in the afternoon I apprehended the priſoner in St. Catharine's, and brought him to the King's-arms, Eaſt-Smithfield; he had on then a blue great coat, buttoned from the top to bottom; I put the priſoner in the tap-room, amongſt not leſs than twenty, and then ſent for the boy; he came with his father and mother, and picked out the priſoner, and ſaid, that is the man in the corner, but that is not the coat he had on, and then told me his dreſs again; on which I made him pull his great coat off, and then appeared the clothes the boy had deſcribed him to have had on when he robbed him: I ſearched him, but found nothing on him that concerned this robbery.

Priſoner. This gentleman pointed me out to the boy.

Dawſon. I did not; I ſent the boy in from the parlour by himſelf, and told him to go in the tap-room; and he went in, and ſaid the man was there; afterwards I went in with him, and told him to go and put his hand upon him.

CATHERINE VANNEST *ſworn.*

I know the priſoner at the bar; he dined with me that day, Chriſtmas-eve, and ſtaid with me till ſix o'clock in the evening; I live in Great Gardens, St. Catharine's.

How came that young man to dine with you?—He often comes, and I waſh for him, and he lodged in a houſe in St. Catherine's-lane; I take in waſhing, and my huſband is at ſea: he went away after the bellman went, which I compute to be ſix, or half an hour after; he is my relation.

Did not he get his dinner often with you?—No, only by accident.

How long ago might he have been with you before?—The value of a week.

When had he dined with you?—He dined with me the Sunday before.

What relation is he?—He is my brother.

How came you to be quite ſo ſure it was Chriſtmas-eve?—Becauſe it was on a Saturday, and Chriſtmas-day was on a Sunday.

Might it not be on the 17th, that was on a Saturday?—No, it was the day before Chriſtmas-day, I am very poſitive.

Was there any body elſe but you and him dined together?—Nobody elſe.

DENNIS STACK *ſworn.*

From one till ſix he was in company along with me, in the ſame room with Mrs. Vanneſt, and dined with us both (I went

by invitation) on Chriſtmas-eve; ſhe invited me on Friday.

Did ſhe tell you ſhe would meet him?—She did not.

Did ſhe give you any particular reaſon for dining with her on that day?—No, my Lord.

Was you uſed to dine with Mrs. Vanneſt?—When I come from ſea I always do, my Lord; ſhe waſhes for me.

Perhaps you dined with her more than once?—Yes, more than once.

Did you dine by invitation?—Yes.

Did you pay her for your dinner?—Always paid her for my dinner.

Always paid her?—Sometimes I did.

Jury. You ſaid you always paid her?—Gentlemen, it is always paid ſomehow or ſomehow.

Court. On your oath, did you ever pay Vanneſt for your dinner?—No, my Lord, ſhe never charged me nothing for my dinner.

Did you ever pay her for your dinner?—No, never, my Lord, lately.

When did you pay her for your dinner?—About two years ago.

Where did ſhe live then?—In Plymouth Dock.

Did you dine with her on Chriſtmas-day?—I did, and the day after.

What had you for dinner on Saturday?—Beef and pudding.

What ſort of a pudding?—Plumb-pudding.

Was the beef roaſted or boiled?—Roaſted.

What had you on Sunday?—A leg of mutton roaſted, my Lord, and potatoes.

What had you on Monday?—The remains that were left after Sunday.

Had you nothing elſe?—Nothing elſe, only a pot of beer and a twopenny loaf.

Who dined with you on Saturday?—John Norman, Catherine Vanneſt, and Dennis Stack.

Who dined with you on Sunday?—The ſame.

Who dined with you on Monday?—Catherine Vanneſt and me alone.

Court to Vanneſt. I underſtood you to ſay that there was nobody dined with you on Saturday but yourſelf and your brother, but I find I was miſtaken, there was another man?—Yes, there was that man, and my brother, and myſelf: this man came up to my room about one or two o'clock, and I aſked him to have a bit of dinner with me, as he was not well.

I underſtand you waſh for him?—I do.

When had you ſeen him before?—I ſee him every day when he is not at work; he often calls up to my apartment.

Did he dine with you the day before?—He came up ſtairs, and I aſked him if he had had any victuals; he ſaid no, and I told him to go to the cupboard and get ſome.

Does he frequently dine with you?—Not always, only ſometimes.

Does he pay you for his dinners?—He does not pay me, becauſe I looked upon him as a man that pays me for my waſhing, and I give him victuals when he is out of work.

When did he dine with you ſince?—He has had victuals up in my room ſeveral times.

Has he dined with you ſince that time?—Yes.

When?—Laſt Saturday, for the laſt time.

When was the next time, after that Saturday, that your brother dined with you?—On Monday, pleaſe you, my Lord.

Did he dine with you on Chriſtmas-day?—He did not; he dined with me on Monday following.

Did your brother dine with you on Chriſtmas-day?—He did.

Did any body elſe beſides?—No.

Did your brother dine with you on Monday?—He did.

What had you for dinner on Saturday?—To tell the truth, my Lord, we had an Iriſh ſtew, made of mutton and potatoes.

That was your Saturday's dinner, on Chriſtmas-eve?—It was, my Lord.

What had you on Sunday?—A bit of roaſt beef and a plumb-pudding.

That was the day that this Stack did not dine with you?—It was.

What had you on Monday?—Some of that which was left on Sunday.

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That was roaſt beef and pudding, not mutton and potatoes?—

Priſoner. I am entirely innocent: when I was in the room Dawſon told the boy I was there, and he naturally pitched upon me when he was told I was taken there.

Court to Mark Small. Did Dawſon tell you to go and ſee the man, and that he was there, or only for you to go and ſee if the man was there?—He told me to go and ſee whether the man was there; I went in and ſaw he was there, and came and told him, and then he told me to go and put my hand on his head, and he would follow me and ſee who it was.

GUILTY of ſtealing, but not of the highway robbery. (Aged 16.)

Tranſported for ſeven years.

Tried by the firſt Middleſex Jury before Mr. Juſtice WILSON.

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59. JAMES STACEY and MARY STACEY were indicted for feloniouſly ſtealing, on the 23d of December, three pint and two quart pewter pots, value 3s. 6d. the property of Thomas Palmer.

(The witneſſes examined ſeparate.)

THOMAS PALMER *ſworn.*

I keep the Maſons-arms, Upper Berkley-ſtreet; I loſt ſome pots, but did not miſs them till they were brought me by Leech; they are pots we never ſend out, only uſe them for cuſtomers in the houſe.

WILLIAM LEECH *ſworn.*

I am a publican; I keep the Lord Clive's head, Duke-ſtreet, Cavendiſh-ſquare; theſe pots I found at the priſoners' apartments in ſeeking for my own. (Depoſed to.) I found them all in the priſoners' room, in Berwick-court, nearly half a mile from Mr. Palmer's houſe; I found them on Thurſday afternoon, about ſix o'clock, on the 22d of December; I found two in a box under ſome clothes, two bar pots under a hod, and ſome in a cupboard; I have kept them ever ſince; the man and his wife were both in the lodgings, and they ſaid they were their lodgings; they were at our houſe that day, drinking, both of them; and when the woman was going out, a pot was found upon her in the paſſage; the maid ſervant followed her, and ſhe was tumbled down in the ſtreet, and found another in her pocket; upon this, many people came round her; and I went to her, and told her I would extricate her from the mob, if ſhe would tell me where ſhe lodged, becauſe I told her I dared ſay I ſhould find more of my pots; I went to the houſe, and the firſt thing I ſaw in her room was a quart pot of mine.

MARY PEEL *ſworn.*

I am a married woman; I chare for Mr. Leech; I went to the priſoners' lodgings with Mr. Leech; they live as man and wife; the pots produced are the pots we took away; I have kept them in my cupboard ever ſince; I lodge with Mr. Leech.

(Depoſed to by the name on them, and miſſed them by having them in uſe on Wedneſday before, and only having half a dozen of that ſort in the houſe. On the Wedneſday, James Stacey had been drinking at the houſe, and two more with him; he quitted without paying his reckoning, and came again the next morning, and had a pennyworth of purl to drink.

Court to Leech. When the woman was ſtopped with the pot about her, was the man with her?—No, he had gone home, but he had been, and they came together.

PRISONER STACEY.

This Wedneſday I went to go to work, and it was a froſty day, I could not; I went into Mr. Palmer's, and ſtaid there towards night; and then I found the liquor in my head, and ſhoved off towards home; I went the next morning, and had a pennyworth of purl, and Mr. Palmer told me that the company I was with the laſt night had left me three-pence to pay; I told him I was ſure it did not belong to me to pay, and I went out, and met with a young man,

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and he and I went to Mr. Leech's, about eleven o'clock, and took a quart pot home with me, and after that the young man went out for five or ſix different pots of beer, and there was one of the pots left by the bedſide for me to drink in the night; with that, Mr. Leech's maid came up in the morning, and aſked my wife if we had any pots in the room; ſays ſhe, yes; here, take them; after that, Mr. Leech and his maid came together, and found the pots, ſome on the table, and ſome in the cupboard and by the bedſide; Mr. Leech took them all home; it is well known, all over Marybone pariſh, that I am an honeſt man; Mr. Leech knows that I work very hard, and when I get money I ſpend it, and then go to work for more, as Mr. Leech knows very well.

Court to Palmer. You never gave him leave to carry any of your pots away?—No, my Lord, except when he was to work at a building near, and then I expected them back again.

JAMES STACEY, GUILTY,
(Aged 40.)

Publicly whipped, and impriſoned 3 months.

MARY STACEY, NOT GUILTY.

Tried by the firſt Middleſex Jury before Mr. RECORDER.

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60. WILLIAM READ and ELIZABETH JACOBS were indicted for feloniouſly ſtealing, on the 22d of December, one man's cloth coat, value 3s. a leather bridle, value 12s. a piece of carpetting, value 5s. and other things, the property of Charles Edwards, Eſq.

(The witneſſes examined ſeparate, by the priſoners' deſire.)

WILLIAM THACKWAY *ſworn.*

I am a coachman to Mr. Edwards; my maſter loſt the articles in the indictment from the coach-houſe, on the Friday before the Chriſtmas-day; I had ſeen them at nine o'clock in the evening, and miſſed them at ſix o'clock in the morning; I did not ſee either of the priſoners take them; I ſaw them on the Tueſday week following; the glaſs was in the hand of the man that made the carriage, his name is Dick; I ſaw the bridle and the bit of carpet in the hands of Peter Mayne; I ſaw the glaſſes fitted, and they had the frames on when I firſt ſaw them, and it was of the colour that correſponded with the carriage; the priſoners are quite ſtrangers to me; Dick did not bring four glaſſes, only the two front glaſſes.

ELIAS MORDECAI *ſworn.*

The priſoner with the woman firſt aſked me to buy the glaſſes; I told her, yes; I told him to let me look at them; this was the Friday before Chriſtmas, between eleven and twelve in the forenoon; I aſked her the price of theſe glaſſes; the man immediately ſaid, have you not another room? I told him I had; we went into the back room, and the man pulled out three glaſſes out of a bag, and the woman pulled out of her lap a bridle, a cloth coat, and a carpet; I aſked them the price of theſe goods; they ſaid, three guineas; I ſaid that was too much, I would give them two guineas and a half; I gave it them, and they went about their buſineſs; there was a man in the ſhop that ſaw me buy them, and pay for them; I gave them to a brother of mine to ſell for me, becauſe he underſtood them better than me.

Jury. Did you aſk the priſoner how he came by this glaſs?—I did, and he told me that he dealt in the country, and that he often gets theſe things, if I would buy them of him; his ſhoes were all mouldy with country dirt at the time he came to me; I live at No. 109, Petticoat-lane; I am a broker, and in the rag line.

Court to Thackway. Where is this houſe of Mr. Edwards?—No. 292, Wapping.

LEVY LEVY *ſworn.*

I buy and ſell rags, on my own account, and was on the 23d of December, Friday, ſorting rags in Mordecai's houſe, in the morning,

morning, about eleven o'clock, and the woman firſt came, and had in her apron a bit of carpet, a bridle, and a great coat; and the man followed her with three coach glaſſes; I ſaw them pulled out of the bag; and they aſked him three guineas, and he offered two guineas and a half, and gave it, and kept all the things for that money.

Did he aſk the man any queſtions?—I did not hear him; I was in before them, and ſtaid after they were gone for an hour.

JOHN DICK *ſworn.*

I am a coach-joiner; I was going, the 23d of December, between eleven and twelve, croſs Petticoat-lane, and Mordecai the Jew ſtopt me, and told me he had ſome glaſſes to diſpoſe of; I went up ſtairs, into a back room where was a bed, and I ſaw two glaſſes, and a ſmall glaſs for the ſide, and he aſked me 27s. for them; I bid him 25s. and he ſaid I ſhould have them; I never went any more to the houſe afterwards, but his brother came to me, and told me I had loſt a good bargain, this was on the Friday after, and brought the front glaſſes, and wanted 25s. for them, and 2s. 6d. for the broken one, as in the courſe of this time the little glaſs was broke; but in conſequence of an information of ſome glaſſes being loſt, I ſtopt them when he brought them, and I went to Mr. Edwards's and tried the frames, and they fitted very well; I have no doubt but they belonged to that carriage; I have kept them from that time to this; it is the ſame glaſs; when I ſaw them at firſt, they were without the frames; we got the frames from Mr. Kinſey, New-Road, Whitechapel; I had the glaſſes of Mordecai's brother; I have never ſeen him ſince the Monday after he brought the glaſſes, and told him I ſhould ſtop them.

To Thackway. Were the glaſſes taken, and the frames left?—Yes, the front glaſſes.

To Dick. Did you happen to ſee whether the third glaſs was in a frame?—It was in a frame.

Did you make any obſervations of the glaſs the brother brought you, ſo as to know it is the ſame glaſs?—I meaſured them, and I obſerved it was diamond-cut glaſs.

Court to Mordecai. What have you done with the bridle, carpet, and other things?—I delivered them to the officer.

Jury. What did you ſell the coat for?—One guinea.

PETER MAYNE *ſworn.*

I produce one bridle, and a piece of carpetting, which I had from Mordecai, who came with it and a brother of his to Eaſt-Smithfield office; in conſequence of his information, I apprehended the priſoners; he gave the information laſt Monday week; I ſearched the priſoners' room, and found nothing.

(The bridle and the carpet depoſed to by Thackway and Mr. Edwards.)

ELIZABETH JACOBS' DEFENCE.

I went out after a pound of butter laſt Tueſday was week, and when I came home I ſaw this here man, and another man named Joſeph Brown, in the room; and Mr. Mayne ſaid, you muſt go along with me; I ſaid, if that is the caſe, I will; and I went; and when I came down to the lock-up place, I ſaid, Lord, I never was guilty of any thing in my life; with that, that man, whoſe name is Moſes Levy, came up to me, and aſked me what I was here for; and ſaid, I ſhall bring you two men to ſwear to, that they gave you the things; I ſaid I could not ſwear to what was ſo falſe; ſays he again to me, if you will not do that, ſwear that your huſband gave it to you, and you will get off; and I ſaid I could not do that; and when I came before the juſtice, theſe two men came and ſware againſt me; and if ever I ſaw them before in my life, I wiſh God may judge me at the day of judgement.

Court to Mayne. Did you tell her to ſwear againſt any body?—I did not; ſhe ſays it was a Jew.

When you took theſe priſoners, were they in the ſame room; do they live together?—She came up after we had been in the room with Read about a minute; there is no doubt but they live together as man and wife; they always paſſed ſo, from my knowledge; I have known the priſoner Read

theſe eight years, but have not known her ſo long.

Priſoner Jacobs to Mayne. Do you not know a man that they call Mouſhe Pop; was not he there in the room?—There was a man that they call by that name there.

Priſoner. He was the man that I mean that perſuaded me to ſwear againſt my huſband.

FRANCIS DE BURTON *ſworn.*

I keep a Pruſſian blue manufactory, in No. 27, Jacks's-row, St. George's fields; the priſoner at the bar, William Read, the Thurſday before Chriſtmas, was with me from eight o'clock in the morning till ſix in the evening; and Friday he came to me at nine o'clock in the morning, and I ſent him on the quay at the Cuſtom-houſe, and went with him as far as London-bridge; I ſent him to look for a Frenchman, who was to bring me ſome Turkey from France, and to come and let me know, and he came to me about three o'clock, and told me the Turkey was entered at the Cuſtom-houſe; he left me about a quarter after ten, to go on this errand, and then he remained with me till about ſeven that day; then on Saturday he came at ten o'clock, and remained till nine o'clock in the evening; as far as I know him, the man works on the quays; I employ him about two days in a week.

Court to Thackway. Was the ſtable-houſe broke open at all?—I double-locked it, and in the morning when I came it was on the ſingle lock.

(The priſoners called three witneſſes further to their character, and who proved they lived as man and wife.)

WILLIAM READ, GUILTY of ſtealing.

Tranſported for ſeven years.

ELIZABETH JACOBS, NOT GUILTY.

Tried by the firſt Middleſex Jury before Mr. RECORDER.

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61. MARY COLLEY was indicted for feloniouſly ſtealing, on the 5th of January, a man's cloth coat, value 5s. and a man's cloth waiſtcoat, value 5s. the goods of William Hetely.

WILLIAM HETELY *ſworn.*

I am a baker, No. 49, Old Compton-ſtreet; I loſt a coat and waiſtcoat from a ſmall room over my ſhop; I did not ſee the priſoner take it; I loſt it laſt Thurſday morning, a few minutes paſt eight, and had ſeen it there at that time; I found it again on the woman, and took it from her juſt at the ſhop-door; I aſked her what ſhe had got in her apron; ſhe ſaid, nothing of mine; preſently I laid hold of it, and took it from her, and have kept them ever ſince.

GEORGE MARISS *ſworn.*

I am a cabinet-maker; I ſaw the things in her poſſeſſion, and ſaw them taken from her.

Priſoner. I never was in the place, nor ever ſaw the things in my life.

GUILTY. (Aged 66.)

Impriſoned one month, and fined 1s.

Tried by the ſecond Middleſex Jury before Mr. RECORDER.

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62. THOMAS WILLIAMS was indicted for burglariouſly and feloniouſly breaking and entering the dwelling-houſe of John Fenn and Richard Rothwell, about the hour of three in the night, on the 30th of December laſt, and burglariouſly ſtealing therein ſeven pieces of printed cotton, containing 126 yards, value 30l. their property.

A ſecond Count, laying it to be the dwelling-houſe of John Fenn only.

(The caſe opened by Mr. Garrow.)

(The witneſſes examined ſeparate.)

JOHN FENN *ſworn.*

My partner's name is Richard Rothwell, he is my only partner; I pay the expences of houſekeeping myſelf: on the night of the 30th of December, or 31ſt in the morning, I loſt ſome goods, in the indictment; I was

I was alarmed at three o'clock, I found the ſhutter taken down, and a pane of glaſs intirely broke, and the ſcrews forced out of the nuts; the pane of glaſs was big enough for a man to have free acceſs into my warehouſe; all the ſeveral articles in the indictment were taken away.

Mr. Knowlys, Priſoner's Counſel. You never found any of theſe goods?—No, never.

ROBERT EVANS *ſworn.*

I am porter to Meſſrs. Fenn and Rothwell; I put up the ſhutters, the night before this happened, myſelf, between ſeven and eight in the evening, and had ſeen them about eight in the evening, every thing ſafe; the next morning I ſaw the place broke open, a little before eight o'clock.

Mr. Knowlys. Is your ſhop ſhut up ſo early as eight o'clock?—It is; my maſter is a wholeſale dealer.

JOHN RHODES *ſworn.*

I am a ſervant to Meſſrs. Fenn and Rothwell; it is my buſineſs to go round to ſee that every thing is ſecure; I went round at half paſt eight on the 30th of December, and all was ſafe then; I went to bed at eleven; I ſleep in the warehouſe; and I ſaw ſeveral pieces of printed cotton, at eight, laying in the ſhop, cloſe to the window; I was alarmed in the courſe of the night, about half paſt three I heard a pane of glaſs break, but did not get up till the watchman rang the bell, which was five or ſix minutes after; and I got up and found the place broke, which I am poſitive was ſafe the night before, and found ſeven or eight pieces gone at leaſt, as they lay level with the other pile when I went to bed.

Mr. Knapp, another of Priſoner's Counſel. At half paſt eight you ſaw all ſafe?—Yes.

With reſpect to the pieces themſelves you made no obſervations when you went to bed?—No.

Mr. Garrow. Did I underſtand you right, that when you went to bed you ſaw all the parcels lay level?—Yes, they were.

JOHN SERGEANT *ſworn.*

I am a watchman in Cornhill ward: on the morning of the 31ſt of December I obſerved ſomething at the warehouſe of Meſſrs. Fenn and Rothwell; as I came to Newman's-court, I looked down the place, and ſaw three men at the pannel of the door, at the window, very buſy; I ſaw one of them ſtretch his arms up, and take the pannel of the door, and lay it on one ſide of him; the glaſs of the door was covered with this pannel; I ſaw another man ſtoop his back, and ſtretch his arms in, and take ſomething, the glaſs having been cut; I did not ſee it cut; I ſaw a hackney-coach on the rank, in Cornhill, fronting the place that was broke; I ſaw a man go to the coach immediately; I did not ſee him open the coach, but he went and immediately returned to the houſe again; I made up as faſt as I could, and when I was within a few yards of them they made off, and I cloſe to them; I was about as near as I am to you, about five yards diſtance, going croſs Cornhill; two of them ſlipt on one ſide, on my left-hand ſide; I kept my eye on the one, I did not offer to turn after theſe two, but kept my eye on the third, and kept purſuing, and ſtruck my rattle, and laid hold of him, and brought him to the watch-houſe; that is the man, in the blue coat, the priſoner; he was never more than five yards diſtance; he got on the flag-ſtones before I did, and then he walked.

Was the man you took by the collar ever out of your ſight from the time thoſe three ran from the houſe?—No: I have not the leaſt doubt but he is one that ran from the houſe; I took him to the watch-houſe, and told them to take care of him; Mr. Williams is the conſtable; I told one of the watchmen to give the alarm to the houſe, and went and rung.

Court. Did you ſee him, or do you only believe?—I only ſuppoſe he did: I have got the crow; Rhodes gave it to me. (Produced.) It has been in my cuſtody ever ſince.

Mr. Knowlys. Was you the ſame ſide of the way, or the oppoſite?—On the ſame ſide.

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You ſaw nothing taken away?—I ſaw ſomething in a man's hand, but could not tell what it was.

The coach was not open, nor you did not ſee any body open the coach?—No, I did not.

Did you ſearch this man?—I did not, nor was I preſent when he was ſearched.

You paid no attention to the perſons who went down to the left ſide?—No, none at all, I only minded the perſon that was before me.

How far was you from your watch-box?—There are no boxes in the ward.

Court. Which ſide of Cornhill was this warehouſe?—On the North ſide, oppoſite the ſtand of coaches.

Did you try the faſtenings that night?—It was not my beat; there are twelve watchmen, and they all go round the ward.

I think you ſaid this was not your beat; what brought you to this ſpot?—I did not try the pins in that part, but it is all my beat, I go all round the whole ward; there are twelve watchmen, and they go round five minutes after each other, but I have but one part of the ward to try the faſtenings, and where I try them I call my own beat; this part happens not to be in my beat, therefore I do not try the faſtenings.

RHODES *ſworn.*

Of whom did you receive that crow?—It was brought to our houſe by a perſon, and I delivered it to Sergeant.

HENRY OSSINGBROKE *ſworn.*

I am a carpenter; I found the crow at the back of Mr. Chapman's (the ſhoemaker's) houſe, within a door or two of Mr. Fenn's; Mr. Chapman's houſe is the corner of Finch-lane; I found it in the groove which had been made for ſhutters; I found it between eight and nine; I gave it to Mr. Chapman.

PHILIP WILLIAMS *ſworn.*

I live in Cornhill; I was conſtable laſt year: on the 31ſt of December, in the night, the priſoner at the bar was brought into the watch-houſe by John Sergeant, one of the watchmen; I aſked him a variety of queſtions, and amongſt the reſt what could bring him at that hour of the morning into that ſtreet; he anſwered, that he had been at a drinking-club in Shoemaker-row, Aldgate; I aſked him then what was his name, and where he lived, and what buſineſs; he told me that his name was Thomas Williams, and that he was a cabinet-maker, and lived in Gray's-inn-lane; he told me that he had never been charged with a thing of the kind before; I then took him to the counter: Mr. Fenn, the next morning, went up to Bow-ſtreet himſelf; I was preſent when Townſend and Jealous were at the Manſion-houſe; finding Jealous there at the moment, I went into the Manſion-houſe; I went back again, and brought him from the counter, finding Jealous there; and when he ſaw him he told me this fellow, inſtead of living in Gray's-inn-lane, keeps the Half-moon public-houſe, Half-moon alley, Alderſgate-ſtreet; Jealous then aſked the priſoner if he knew ſuch and ſuch people, mentioning two names, which he had ſeen that morning faſt aſleep in the tap-room of the Half-moon; he ſaid he knew nothing at all of them.

Court. Did he ſay any thing as to that aſſertion, that he was not the man living in Gray's-inn-lane, but the man that kept the public-houſe?—I aſked him how he could ſay ſo; ſays he, I did ſo.

Mr. Knapp. He ſaid his name was Thomas Williams?—He did.

Do you know the ſituation of Shoemaker-row?—It is in Aldgate.

If any perſon had been inclined to come from Shoemaker-row to Alderſgate-ſtreet, that is the way?—It is a way, although, I think, not the neareſt way.

Did you ever happen to hear, ſince the priſoner was taken up, that he was bred a cabinet-maker?—No.

Have you ever heard of any body elſe that he was bred a cabinet-maker?—No.

Mr. Garrow. Undoubtedly if a man came from Shoemaker-row to Alderſgate-ſtreet, he might find his way if he came to the

the monument; but would it not be coming all out of his way to come from Aldgate to Half-moon alley, Alderſgate-ſtreet, to come through Cornhill?—I think it is almoſt out of the way.

Court. If you was to come, not in the day, but in the night, ſhould you think Cornhill the ſafer road?—If I had thought there had been any danger, I had certainly taken the moſt public way.

CHARLES JEALOUS *ſworn.*

The proſecutor came to me, and I went to the Compter to look at the young man at the bar; I dare ſay I have known the young man eight or nine months.

Where does he live?—In Half-moon alley, Alderſgate-ſtreet: on the 31ſt of December I went to that houſe along with Mr. Fenn, and I ſaw two gentlemen there.

Do you know from Williams the priſoner whether he was or was not, on the 31ſt of December, maſter of the Half-moon, Half-moon alley, Alderſgate-ſtreet?—I do not, for he denied it; he ſaid he had let it; I never ſaw him in the houſe in my life.

JOHN TOWNSEND *ſworn.*

Do you know the priſoner at the bar?—Yes, his name is Williams, I believe.

Did you ever know him to live in Gray's-inn-lane, and carry on buſineſs in the cabinet-lane?—No, never.

Where did he live on the 31ſt of December?—I believe he lived at the Half-moon; for the maid was there that is now on the outſide of the door with his wife.

How long has he kept that houſe?—I believe ſome time.

Do you know that he was the maſter of it?—I believe he was.

Mr. Garrow. Go out, and bring the maid in.

MARIA BURNE *ſworn.*

With whom do you live?—I am out of place, and have been almoſt theſe three months.

Where did you live on the laſt day of the old year?—I was ſent for to come on Friday night.

Who was it you was ſent for by?—I was ſent for to go to the Half-moon, Half-moon alley, Alderſgate-ſtreet.

Who keeps the houſe?—Mr. Williams.

Priſoner. Mr. Garrow, I am the perſon that kept it, I do not deny it.

Mr. Garrow to the Witneſs. The laſt day of the old year was on a Saturday; had you much company in the houſe on the laſt night of the old year?—Not as I know of; I went away about nine o'clock.

What time did you go on Saturday morning?—I went about ſeven o'clock.

Who did you find in the tap-room?—Nobody.

Was not you there when Mr. Jealous came?—I do not know who came.

How long have you known Mr. Williams?—About two years.

How long has he kept the Half-moon?—About four months.

PRISONER's DEFENCE.

I did keep the Half-moon at the time his affair happened; and a youg man had been at our houſe on Thurſday night, and we had a chair club, and there the young perſon gave bills about the club where I was ſpending my evening, and when he gave the bills he deſired me, if I could, to come to his houſe, and he would take it as a favour: accordingly I went to his houſe, in Shoemaker-row, Aldgate; and coming home from thence, I was coming on the left-hand ſide of the way, in Cornhill, a few doors of being almoſt oppoſite Birchin-lane; I heard a watchman running; he came up to me, and laid hold of the right ſide of my collar; I immediately ſaid, my friend, what do you want with me; he ſays I muſt go along with him; I told him I believed he was miſtaken, and ſaid if I had done any thing amiſs I was very ready; accordingly he takes me to the watch-houſe, and when we came there he goes and ſays, *take care of him!* Mr. Williams and another came and ſearched me; accordingly, after that, they took me to the Compter; that evening they aſked me how I came to be out ſo late; I related the ſtory as before;

I told you he aſked me what trade I was; I told him I was brought up a cabinet-maker, but having an aſthma I was obliged to leave off buſineſs, and I took a chandler's ſhop in the Borough, and from that I took this public-houſe in Half-moon alley, always endeavouring to maintain the character of an honeſt man; and even ſince I have been in this calamitous affair, I have reduced myſelf to the laſt ſhilling to pay every thing that I owed. My Lord, and Gentlemen of the Jury, I am entirely innocent of the thing laid to my charge: I will call a few friends, who will ſpeak what they know in my behalf; and I leave myſelf at your mercy.

(The priſoner called five witneſſes, who gave him a good character.)

Court to Sergeant. Were there lamps near? —Yes, there were.

GUILTY, Death.

Tried by the London Jury before Mr. RECORDER.

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63. JOHN MEALING was indicted for burglariouſly breaking and entering the dwelling-houſe of Ann Hopkins, about the hour of ſeven in the night, on the 8th of January, and burglariouſly ſtealing therein one cotton gown, value 10s. a child's cotton frock, value 2s. a linen apron, value 2s. eight pieces of bed furniture, value 2s. and two watches, value 40s. the goods of the ſaid Ann Hopkins.

(The witneſſes examined ſeparate.)

ANN HOPKINS *ſworn.*

I live in Eagle-ſtreet, and am an houſekeeper; I have one child, ſix years old the firſt of March: my houſe was broke open laſt Sunday; I left my houſe between ſix and ſeven o'clock in the evening, with the door locked, and the windows bolted; I believe I heard the alarm about half after ſeven; I was in the Meeting, which is very near the houſe; I had no thought at firſt but it was ſomething the matter in the Meeting; preſently a man brought the priſoner into the veſtry; I then thought of my houſe, and ran out, and I found my window-ſhutter broke open; a ſquare of glaſs was out, and ſo they opened the haſp of the window, by which a man that was not a large man might get in; the window-ſhutter was bolted with two bolts; it was ſuppoſed that they cut to get at one bolt, and then the other eaſily was come at: when I came into the houſe, a great number of things tied up in a blanket, my blanket, and a large trunk, had been removed down ſtairs to the fire-ſide; the firſt thing I put my eye upon, I ſaw my watch was gone, a tortoiſeſhell one, from the ſide of the fire, and a ſilver one from the dining-room was found under the window; the gown was tied up in another bundle, up ſtairs, in my dining-room, not brought down; three of my drawers were taken out, and the frock and apron, and all the contents almoſt, were tied up in the apron; eight pieces of bed furniture I left in an old chair in my dining-room, and that was tied up in this ſame handkerchief, in the dining-room.

ELIZA BARNES *ſworn.*

I drank tea with Mrs. Hopkins on Sunday, and I ſaw all was ſafe; for we took a candle, and looked, before we went into the Meeting.

WILLIAM BECK *ſworn.*

On Sabbath-day evening, about five and twenty minutes after ſeven, I had notice a window was broke; I thought it was one of the Meeting windows, but on examination I found it was not; I went out immediately into the yard, and met a ſuſpicious perſon at the Meeting-yard door; I looked at his face, he looked at me at the ſame time; I came in, and then went up ſtairs, and there is a window juſt above theſe ſtairs; I looked through the window, and I ſaw a man there, looking about the corner of this houſe of the proſecutrix's; I thought good then to go and get an aſſiſtant; I went to the perſon who attends the place with me,

me, and I told him, there is a ſuſpicious perſon in the yard, if you will go along with me, we will ſee the event of it; immediately when we went out in the yard there was a whiſtle, as an alarm, from ſome, I ſuppoſe, belonging to this connection; we went and ſearched this window, and the door likewiſe, and we found nothing amiſs; and while we were ſearching the window the priſoner burſt out of the parlour, through the window; he had bolted himſelf in; I ſeized him directly, and with the aſſiſtance of the other ſervant we dragged him out of the houſe, and we carried him from thence into the veſtry: after I had delivered him up to ſome people to keep him ſafe, I went back again to ſee how the houſe ſtood; under the window we dragged him out of I picked up a ſilver watch; this was immediately as I was coming back to get ready ſome little refreſhment to the miniſter, as is cuſtomary after divine ſervice is done; I picked up the other watch by the door of the veſtry, through which the priſoner had paſſed; this was the outer veſtry, and he was in the inner veſtry.

Priſoner. Did not you ſay, before the magiſtrate, that you found me under the window?—I did not; I am ſure he was actually coming out of the window: my Lord, I have ſworn it, and would teſtify the ſame again.

SAMUEL WOODHOUSE *ſworn.*

I was along with Mr. Beck at the window, and the priſoner at the bar was coming out of the window; he was coming out with his head and ſhoulders half out.

Priſoner. Did not you come from the veſtry-door after Beck had hold of me?—I was at the window with Mr. Beck.

Court. What diſtance might this window be from the chapel-door?—A yard and a half.

——— CARTWRIGHT *ſworn.*

I produce two watches, given to me in the veſtry; I received them from Beck, and he gave me charge; Mrs. Hopkins gave me the caſes.

(The watches depoſed to.)

PRISONER's DEFENCE.

There is a long ſpace from the ſtreet to this chapel, and juſt by the chapel-door there is a kind of a nook, in which, as I was coming up, there ſtood two or three men, whom I know not; I was going to the Meeting, and they thruſt me upon my face; and thereupon the gentleman ſeized me before I could recover myſelf.

Was you ever in that place of worſhip before?—I frequently frequent Mr. Romaine's, in Blackfriars, and theſe people are of the ſame perſuaſion; I live at No. 20, Cow-croſs-ſtreet.

(The priſoner called four witneſſes, who gave him a good character.)

GUILTY, Death. (Aged 21.)

Tried by the ſecond Middleſex Jury before the Lord CHIEF BARON.

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64. JOHN GOLDING and CHARLES SEATON were indicted for burglariouſly and feloniouſly breaking and entering the dwelling-houſe of Judah Jacobs, on the 24th of December laſt, and burglariouſly ſtealing therein one metal watch, value 40s. his property.

JUDAH JACOBS *ſworn.*

I live in Wapping, St. George's in the Eaſt; I am an houſekeeper; I keep a ſhop, a watchmaker's and ſlop-ſeller's; my window was broke on Chriſtmas-eve; I was in the ſhop; Seaton broke my window; I ſaw them about the window an hour and an half before; Golding was alſo about with him, looking in; and ſeeing them looking, I ordered out more lights into my ſhop, ſix inſtead of four; at laſt I ſaw him (Seaton) break the window with his elbow, and he knocked the whole pane in, and took the watch out; I jumped over the counter, and called ſtop thief! and ſaw Golding run down Plough-alley, and Seaton run thro' Crown-court, and I ran after him, and having ſlippers on I fell down: Golding, I am ſorry to ſay, I have known theſe four years, and

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am poſitive as to both of them: I was ſent for, about a quarter before eleven, to Joe Bare, and they were then in cuſtody.

Mr. Knapp, Priſoners' Counſel. How long had the perſons that you ſuppoſed to be the priſoners been about your ſhop?—They had been an hour or an hour and quarter.

Perhaps you ſpoke to them during that time?—I did not.

You went out, perhaps, to tell them to get away?—I did not.

Then you put out lights in expectation that a felony might be committed, and you would obſerve them?—I did.

Pray has it ever happened to you to be in a Court of Juſtice on ſuch an occaſion as this?—No, I never was.

Perhaps you do not know that there is a reward on the conviction of the offenders?—I do not know what you mean.

Do you know whether there is any reward on conviction of either or both of theſe perſons?—I do not.

Will you ſwear that it has not been repreſented to you, that there is a reward, by the officers?—They did not; I will ſwear it.

You mean to ſwear that you never heard of any ſuch thing?—I may have heard of ſuch a thing.

Will you ſwear that you never heard that there was a reward on conviction of perſons who are charged with the crime of burglary?—I never had occaſion to inquire into ſuch a thing.

Who gave you the inſtructions for the indictment to be for a burglary?—I gave only inſtructions according to the truth that I know.

SARAH BRIGGS *ſworn.*

I live ſervant with Mr. Jacobs: on Chriſtmas-eve laſt they broke the window, and took the watch; Seaton did it, and Golding ſtood by; I had ſeen them about the door an hour myſelf; I was ſtanding at the bottom of the counter, minding the ſhop, with my maſter; I always attend the ſhop; I know nothing of them, only ſeeing them about the window, and ſeeing Seaton break it.

Mr. Knapp. How long have you lived with Jacobs?—Above a month.

Do you live with him now?—Yes.

You ſay that you ſtood at the end of the counter?—Yes.

How far is the end of the counter from the window?—About a yard, or rather better.

You never ſaw them before?—Not till they ſtood about the window.

Your maſter went out?—No, not till they broke it; and then he inſtantly jumped over the counter, and cried out ſtop thief!

PETER MAYNE *ſworn.*

I am an officer of Eaſt Smithfield; I apprehended the two priſoners, both together, in a public-houſe, in Black-horſe yard; Golding's name was mentioned to me, and the other was told as a ſhort man in a blue coat; I put them in the watch-houſe, and they ſtaid till Monday; the priſoners ſent for me, and ſaid that they had ſeen ſome men break the window of the proſecutor, and deſired I would go and apprehend them; I did; and Mr. Jacobs ſaw them on Monday, and the girl, and they perſiſted that it was theſe two priſoners.

JOHN GOLDING, (Aged 18,)
CHARLES SEATON, (Aged 20,)
} BOTH GUILTY, Death.

Tried by the firſt Middleſex Jury before Mr. Juſtice BULLER.

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65. DANIEL GILLFOY was indicted for burglariouſly and feloniouſly breaking and entering the dwelling-houſe of John Hodge, on the 22d of December laſt, and burglariouſly ſtealing therein a child's muſlin frock, value 12d. a pair of child's ſtays, value 2d. a ſtuff petticoat, value 1d. a cloak, value 6d. and twenty-four halfpence, his property.

JOHN HODGE *ſworn*.

I live in No. 3, Newtoner's-lane; I rent the lower apartments of Mr. Shaw, ſhop and parlour, the door of which is in the entry; the houſe is let out in tenements, and Mr. Shaw pays the taxes; he reſerves no part of the houſe to himſelf; Mr. Shaw lives ſix or ſeven doors lower down; it was broke open the 22d of December, between two and three; the watchman called me, and told me the place was broke open; I found the door open, and the things about the place; it was bolted when I went to bed; it was opened by the ſhutter being taken down; it is one half glaſs, and the ſhutters ſlide on; they had wrenched off the ſhutter; there was a broken pane of glaſs in the door, and they could get at the bolt; I loſt nothing, but found the things ſcattered about the ſhop; the things in the indictment were left in the back room when I went to bed; the halfpence were ſcattered about the counter, and behind it; they were left in the till the over-night.

Priſoner. Did not you poſitively ſwear that the door was not faſtened that night?—I did not ſay ſo; I ſaid my wife faſtened it, and I ſtood by.

FRANCIS NEWMAN *ſworn*.

Juſt after two o'clock in the morning I was coming up, I ſaw this man and another trying at one of my maſter's houſes, Mr. Shaw, at the ſhutters of the back parlour; they had a light; on my coming up, they hid it; when I came up, I aſked them what they did there; on which they went quite up the lane; I went up ſtairs, but I thought I would not go to bed, and that I had better call the watchman; I went out to call the watchman; and another man, not the priſoner, held the ſtreet-door of the paſſage that belongs to Mr. Hodge's ſhop, and I ſaw a light in the ſhop; I went immediately and called the watchman, and I found him in Parker's-lane, and I told him what I had ſeen, and he ſprung his rattle; and I ran home, and I found the ſame man holding the door then, and the light was then in the ſhop; after ſeeing this, I ran again to meet

meet the watchman, and juſt as we came to them the man ran away that held the door, and this man came out, and they both of them croſſed over the way, and the watchman and I ran after them directly and cried out ſtop thief! and could not catch them; and we went up and ſearched the room where the priſoner uſed to live, as I knew him very well; there was a girl in the room, and ſhe refuſed to open the door, and the watchman broke it open, and the girl was in bed, one bed on the top of her, and another under her, and we went and ſearched the houſe all over, and the next houſe, and could not find him; and then the watchman went and alarmed Mr. Hodge, and there were the things mentioned in the indictment on the ſide of the counter, and ſome halfpence on the top of the counter; we went again to his room at ſix o'clock in the morning, and found him in bed, in the ſame room where the two beds were; we took him to the watch-houſe, and afterwards had him up to the juſtice; there was nothing found about him.

How long had you known that man before?—He had lodged at our houſe ſome time.

What buſineſs is it your maſter carries on?—He keeps a chandler's ſhop.

How long have you lived with him?—Off and on, I believe, two years.

How many houſes does he keep to let out in lodgings?—Seven up the court, and eight more, fifteen in all.

What is the price of a bed?—Sixpence, and ſometimes a ſhilling.

How near was you to the priſoner when you firſt ſaw him?—I was eight yards from him.

How old are you?—I am eighteen.

Is there any lamp near where you firſt ſaw him?—There is one up the court, and one at the bottom of the court.

How was it you could ſee this man's face ſo as to know him?—I had a light, and they had a light, I ſaw him by their light; theſe two men came up the court, and paſſed me.

Did you ſpeak to him?—I did not, but I know him very well; they uſed to call him Dan the Barber.

Priſoner. Was not you witneſs againſt two people laſt ſeſſions?—Yes, I was.

EDWARD WHITE *ſworn.*

I am a watchman.

Who called you this morning?—Francis Newman: I was calling out two o'clock; I met the priſoner in Newtoner's-lane; I was cloſe to him, as we could paſs one another; I ſaw him come out of the paſſage of one of Mr. Shaw's houſes, and I held up my lanthorn to ſee who it was, and to look at him; I am ſure it was the priſoner, I had known him before; I turned from thence to my box in Drury-lane, and was told there was ſomebody breaking one of my maſter's houſes; and when I got as near as I am to you to ſee, I ſaw the priſoner coming out of Mr. Hodge's houſe; I ſaw him juſt coming out of the ſhop-door, neither in nor out; I had put my lanthorn out, and ran faſt; I am ſure it was the priſoner; the priſoner got a-head of me, and ran into one of the door-ways, as they are generally open that way, and I could not find him till ſix o'clock in the morning, when he was in bed.

Priſoner. Was not it a dark and rainy night?—It was dark, but it did not rain.

Court. What light was there?—A lamp was directly over the door.

JOSEPH PRESNOTT *ſworn.*

I am a watchman; I was called by White at ſix o'clock in the morning.

Priſoner. This night, that they ſwear the ſhop was broke open, I was in bed; they came and ſearched my apartment all over, and went down again; they came up at half after ſix in the morning, and found me in bed; I got up very peaceably, and went with them; my wife awaked me the firſt time, and told me there were three watchmen, and a boy; I told them I had done nothing to be afraid of; and they came up again, at half after ſix, and took me out of bed: the proſecutor practiſes dog-ſtealing, him and one Cadwell have been

been tried for it both in town and country, and lives at this preſent time by buying and ſelling ſtolen goods, and in his cellar there you will find carcaſes of dogs; they boy is a notorious character; his maſter keeps fifteen or ſixteen lodging-houſes for common proſtitutes, and it is his employment to light them up to bed: here are two watchmen, reſpectable characters indeed! but, my Lord, it is very wrong to ſwear a man's life away: the morning that they took me out of bed, gentlemen, ſays I, you have uſed my wife very ill; ſhe told them to have patience, and ſhe would open the door; and a man, who is not here now, ſtruck her with the ſtaff; they found nothing on me; they found me doing nothing, even if I had been there coming out of the paſſage: Mr. Hodge, pray is not your houſe let out in tenements, inhabited by duſtmen and chimney-ſweepers, a houſe that is free for all ſorts of people, comers and goers; I would wiſh to know whether they could diſtinguiſh one man from another in a dark lane; watchman, pray was there any the leaſt implement, or any thing, found in my apartment?—Nothing in the leaſt; you took care you did not bring it there; you went into another apartment firſt.

Priſoner. My Lord, I work for Mr. Battridge, an hair-dreſſer, in Golden-lane.

GUILTY, **Death.** (Aged 28.)

Tried by the ſecond Middleſex Jury before the Lord CHIEF BARON.

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66. HENRY WALBURY, HENRY SMITH, and CHARLES SMITH, were indicted for burglariouſly breaking and entering the dwelling-houſe of William Fairman, about the hour of eight in the night, on the 8th of January, and burglariouſly and felonioufly ſtealing therein one dimity gown, value 5s. two dimity petticoats, value 3s. three linen frocks, value 3s. ſix linen frocks, value 1s. a ſilk petticoat, value 5s. two linen napkins, value 2s. four linen clouts, value 12d. four ſilk gowns, value 4l. four linen gowns, value 40s. four cotton gowns, value 40s. one ſilver watch, value 40s. a piece of baize, value 12d. and a linen ſhift, value 6d. the goods of Sarah Bearcroft.

They were indicted a ſecond time for ſtealing the ſame goods, in the ſame dwelling-houſe, but not charging them with the burglary.

WILLIAM FAIRMAN *ſworn.*

I live at No. 1, Helmet-court, in the Strand; I am a bookbinder; I keep the houſe; my houſe was broke open laſt Sunday; I went out, I and my ſiſter, Sarah Bearcroft, at half paſt four in the afternoon, and returned about nine that evening; and when I returned, my family were very much alarmed; on inquiry, I found a portmanteau, belonging to my ſiſter, was gone; it was kept in a ſide parlour; I did not obſerve any particular part of my houſe broke open; on inquiry, we found ſome of the goods where they were pawned.

SARAH BEARCROFT *ſworn.*

I own the portmanteau; it was left at Mr. Fairman's, No. 1, Helmet-court, in the ſide parlour; there were all the things mentioned in the indictment in it; this day ſe'nnight I looked into my portmanteau, and ſaw them all there; I then put my watch, all my ſilver, and ſeveral other things, into the portmanteau, and locked up my trunk, and am certain it was there at half paſt four o'clock, Sunday afternoon laſt; and Sunday night, when I came home, it was gone, and the window belonging to the ſide parlour was lifted up; I am ſure that when I went out the ſaſh was ſhut down, I cannot pretend to ſay whether it was faſtened down, but it was ſhut; I left my ſiſter, and my three children, and her two children, when I went out, at home in the front parlour: ſome of the things were found at the pawnbrokers; I went and ſaw my gown.

——— ROSELLE *ſworn.*

I produce ſome property I took in of the young woman, Mary Rawlins, between one and

and two o'clock, on Monday laſt; I aſked her whoſe property they were; ſhe told me they were her mother's: on Wedneſday evening, about ſix o'clock, we received information that theſe goods were ſtolen, and I took them to Sir Sampſon Wright's, in Bow-ſtreet, and they proved to be the property of one of the witneſſes here. (Produced.)

Were thoſe the ſame goods you received from Rawlins?—They are.

MARY RAWLINS *ſworn.*

I pawned theſe things at Roſelle's; I received them of the two brothers; I do not know their names; I was out when they brought them up, but I came in and ſaw them there; they brought them there on Sunday night; they did not ſay any thing to me on Sunday; it was at my lodgings; my huſband brought them up; I aſked them where they came from, and they made me no anſwer; I did not aſk any more; the next day the other two young men came up, and aſked me to pawn ſome of them, and took the things that were in the room to pawn; they deſired me to do it; I pawned ſome things at Mr. Collings's, and I pawned another ſilk gown in Fleet-ſtreet, at Roſelle's.

How came you to tell them they were things belonging to your mother?—I was told to ſay ſo by Smith.

What became of the money?—I laid it upon the table; I do not know who took it up; all three were there.

ROBERT PEART *ſworn.*

I am a pawnbroker; I live in Fleet-ſtreet; I have got a ſattin gown and coat, which I received from Mary Rawlins; I aſked her if they were her own property; ſhe told me they were; I have kept them ever ſince.

WILLIAM FIELDING *ſworn.*

I was at Mrs. Wilkinſon's houſe, being acquainted with her, on the night of Sunday the 8th of this month, about ſix in the evening; I ſaw the trunk in the paſſage of the houſe where the priſoner Walbury lodges, in Portſmouth-ſtreet, Lincoln's-inn-fields; he was there, and two others; but as to the others I do not know them, nor could know them; I did not aſk any queſtions about it; I put my hand to it and found it weighty, I could not raiſe it; I have never ſeen it ſince.

Were there any letters on the trunk?—I did not take notice ſo much.

CHARLES JEALOUS *ſworn.*

On the 11th of this month I went with the proſecutor's landlord to No. 15, Portſmouth-ſtreet; it was Walbury's lodgings and Mary Rawlins, they lived as man and wife; when we went there, I went up one pair of ſtairs, and the door was tied with a bit of ſtring on the outſide; I went in, and there was not any one perſon in the room; I ſearched the room, and in a little hole in the chimney-piece I found this picklock; I went from thence to No. 8, Burleigh-ſtreet, Exeter-'change; up two pair of ſtairs lives one Mrs. Bourne, who is aunt to Mary Rawlins; there I ſaw Mary Rawlins, ſitting by the fire in her aunt's room; I then aſked her where Walbury was; ſhe ſaid, if I would ſtay a few minutes, ſhe expected him up ſtairs in a moment; he came, and I took him into cuſtody; in the room I found this box (produced), the key of which Mary Rawlins gave me herſelf out of her pocket, and in it I found a quantity of property, as in the indictment; I then went up to Bow-ſtreet, and on the priſoner I took a ſhirt from his back, which the gentlewoman ſays is her property, and the proſecutor ſwore to the property in the box; I apprehended the other two, but there was nothing found on them; I apprehended them all within an hour and half; the boy, Henry Smith, we met in the ſtreet, and the other we found at a public-houſe.

JANE BOURNE *ſworn.*

I live in Burleigh-ſtreet, No. 8; the young woman brought the box to me, and ſaid ſhe would ſtop all day; Mary Rawlins and the runners came after her.

JOHN GARRET *ſworn.*

On the 9th of January, about three in the afternoon, I took in a gown from the

priſoner Charles Smith; I gave him 3s. 6d. upon it; I have kept it ever ſince.

JOHN BALL *ſworn.*

I am a pawnbroker, Drury-lane; I have a gown, pawned for 10s. brought to me by Rawlins; ſhe ſaid ſhe brought it from one Mrs. More, Ruſſel-court.

JOHN MORGAN *ſworn.*

Mary Rawlins pledged this cloak with me the 11th of January.

(The things depoſed to.)

Sarah Bearcroft. I know nothing of the box; mine was a long hair trunk, with two handles, and one of them looſe; there was no part of the window broke, at this window, belonging to this parlour, they broke a piece of the window taking out the box.

HENRY WALBURY, (Aged 22,) CHARLES SMITH, (Aged 26,) } GUILTY, Death.

HENRY SMITH, NOT GUILTY.

Tried by the ſecond Middleſex Jury before Mr. Juſtice BULLER.

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67. JAMES HANSLOWE was indicted for making an aſſault, on the King's highway, on Edward Cody, and putting him in fear, and feloniouſly taking from his perſon, and againſt his will, a pair of ſilver ſhoe-buckles, value 18s. a watch with inſide caſe and outſide caſe made of ſilver, value 30s. a ſilk ribbon watch-chain, value 1d. a metal ſeal, value 2d. a man's hat, value 3s. and twelve ſhillings in money, the goods of the ſaid Edward Cody.

(The witneſſes examined ſeparate, by the priſoner's deſire.)

EDWARD CODY *ſworn.*

On the 18th of December laſt, in Parker's-ſtreet, between eleven and twelve at night, I loſt a pair of ſhoe buckles (ſilver), a ſilver watch, twelve ſhillings in money, and a hat; I was going into a public-houſe, and Hanſlowe being in the paſſage, aſked me if I would ſell my buckles; I ſaid, I have no objection; and he aſked me if I would ſhew them to him; I ſaid, there they are in my hand; with that, he ſays, give them me; ſays I, I will not; he comes up, and makes a grab at them; another comes up directly, and hits me on the head; then a woman comes up, beginning to pull and drag me about; then they puſhed me out into the ſtreet, and this James Hanſlowe robbed me of my buckles; I had put my buckles into my pocket again, but he made me let go my hold, and pulled out a knife, and cut me in both my hands, and cut me up here in the jaw, and gave me ſeveral ſtabs on both ſides my head; they left me in a poor condition; I halloo'd out to the watchmen ſeveral times; at laſt they came, and I gave him up to them: here is ſome of your handy works coming out now (turning to the priſoner), here is my ſhirt I had on that day, all bloody; the watchman took charge of him, and brought him to St. Giles's watch-houſe.

Did he offer to run away?—He did not offer to run away; the two others made off, but he could not go, he was kept; I held him; he could not cut me out of him.

Then the only perſon you got hold of was the priſoner?—Yes, and he was carried to the watch-houſe, St. Giles's; I went to the watch-houſe with him; I never found a pennyworth again; nothing at all was found on the priſoner.

When had you looked at your watch before you came into this fray?—I cannot ſafely ſay; I had my watch and money, and buckles, and all, in my pocket, a minute before this happened.

How came you to be in this Parker's-lane this time of night?—I was coming from Drury-lane, and I was going into this houſe to get a pint of beer to nouriſh me, as I was paſſing by; I had no companion with me.

Was this houſe a houſe that you had uſed to frequent?—No, never was in the houſe before,

before, nor in the ſtreet, to my knowledge.

How came you to have theſe buckles in your pocket?—When I was coming to London, I had my buckles in my ſhoes the Sunday before that, and I never thought of it till I had come to London; I live at Eaſt-Ham.

Where was you going in Parker's-ſtreet?—I was coming up to Gunpowder-alley, No. 5, to ſee an acquaintance of mine.

Had you no buckles in your ſhoes then?—Yes, I had what I wear every day; but in the morning I did not know that my ſilver buckles were in my pocket till I came out part of the way; when I came to the watch-houſe, the watchmen carried me to the hoſpital; I had never ſeen the man before, to my knowledge.

Did he appear, when he ſpoke to you, to be drunk or ſober?—He ſeemed to be ſober; and I was quite ſober, no way in liquor at all.

Priſoner. I have ſeveral queſtions to aſk him: pray, Sir, did not you come into this houſe with a diſorderly woman?—I did not.

Can you ſwear to my taking the buckles out of your hand?—I can.

Did not you ſwear that you offered the buckles to ſeveral people in the houſe, before the juſtice?—I did not.

Now mind what you are at: Did not you ſay firſt to the landlord, will you take theſe buckles into pawn for the reckoning for me and my wife?—I did not ſay ſuch a word.

Court to Priſoner. Would you aſk him any thing elſe?—*Priſoner.* Aſk him! it is of no uſe to aſk him, he had his tale all ready before he came. Pray did not you ſay, when you catcht me hold by the collar, d—n your eyes, I will have ſatisfaction of you for the money?—I did not.

PATRICK SHEAN *ſworn.*

I am a watchman: on the 18th of December I heard this man call the watch, and I heard the cry of watch! and murder! it was about half after eleven o'clock, as nigh as I can gueſs.

What was this cry in Parker's-ſtreet, Drury-lane?—It was; I was in Croſs-lane; I went as faſt as I could to them, and the priſoner gave the firſt charge; and I ſaw this man all over bloody: I took them both to the watch-houſe, and the proſecutor gave me charge of the priſoner; the priſoner only gave charge, but did not ſay for what; the proſecutor charged him with robbing him of a pair of buckles, ſome ſilver, a watch, and a hat; he had no hat on; I only took them both to the watch-houſe, and took the proſecutor to the Middleſex hoſpital by order of the watch-houſe-keeper; I went for him next day to the hoſpital, to take him to the office.

Did you, on the priſoner being charged by the proſecutor, ſearch him?—We did, but found nothing on him but ſome ſilver in his pocket.

Priſoner. Did not I tell you that I gave charge of this man when you came firſt up?—Yes, you did.

PRISONER's DEFENCE.

I was going home to my lodgings: this man, that ſwears ſo falſe againſt me, was in Parker's-lane; there was a mob with him; and he met me, and ſays immediately, d—n your eyes, you are one of them; by Jaſus, I will hang you, for the ſake of the money; and he got hold of me, and entangled me by the ſhirt, and I called the watch; and when the watch came up, ſays I, this man has interrupted me; by Jaſus, ſays he, I am almoſt murdered, and have been robbed; and they took me to the watch-houſe with him; and they ſearched me, and found nothing on me.

Priſoner to Proſecutor. Which way did I take your buckles and watch?—I cannot ſwear you took the watch, but I can the buckles.

GUILTY, Death. (Aged 21.)

Tried by the firſt Middleſex Jury before Mr. Juſtice WILSON.

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68. THOMAS BROWN was indicted for burglariouſly and felonioufly breaking and

and entering the dwelling-houſe of Roger Bitten, about the hour of ſeven in the night, on the 28th of December, and feloniouſly and burglariouſly ſtealing therein one wooden box, value 2s. two linen ſhirts, value 12s. two ſilk gowns, value 28s. a pair of ſtays, value 16s. a ſattin cloak, value 1l. 1s. a cotton gown, value 8s. a man's cloth coat, value 5s. a man's cloth waiſtcoat, value 3s. a pair of cloth breeches, value 1s. another pair, value 1s. four muſlin neck handkerchiefs, value 1s. a linen neck handkerchief, value 1s. two muſlin caps, value 1s. twelve linen night-caps, value 1s. a pair of dimity pockets, value 6d. a child's woollen blanket, value 6d. three child's linen frocks, value 6d. two child's dimity petticoats, value 6d. and one black ſilk petticoat, value 4s. the goods of the ſaid Roger Bitten.

(The witneſſes examined ſeparate, by the priſoner's deſire.)

MARY BITTEN *ſworn.*

I am wife of Roger Bitten, White-horſe court, Sun-ſtreet, Biſhopſgate-ſtreet; he is a gentleman's coachman, a lodger; two more lodge in the ſame houſe; it is one of Mr. Bligh's houſes; he lets it out in tenements to different perſons, he does not live there, nor any of his family; I have the ground-floor; nobody elſe lives on the ground-floor, except me and my huſband, and a child two years and one month old; I had been out to work on the 28th of December, about three o'clock in the afternoon, and when I came home I found the ſtaple drawn; I had left nobody in the apartment; I am ſure I padlocked the door; I returned home about a quarter after eight in the evening; nobody elſe had the key of the padlock beſides me; when I returned I found the padlock taken of; I am ſure the ſtaple was firmly fixed when I left home; I went into my room, and found the ſhutter open on the outſide that was bolted inſide with two bolts, and the ſaſh wide open; I am certain it was faſt when I left the room; I did not perceive any marks of violence; it had been opened from the inſide, and not from the out; a deal box was miſſing, and two ſilk gowns, one cotton gown, one ſuit of black clothes, &c. a good many of them were found in the box afterwards; the things had been taken out of two boxes, and one drawer, to the amount of 7l. many are here; I ſaw them after they were found; the priſoner's mother lodged with me, in my apartment; he has been at ſea; he uſed to come to his mother almoſt every day; ſhe had been fetched out on the Monday before, to nurſing; we all lived in one room; the robbery was Wedneſday night; the priſoner lodged at Mrs. Williams's, Long-alley, where the property was found.

SARAH WILLIAMS *ſworn.*

I live in Long-alley, No. 6; my huſband keeps a coal-ſhed; I know the man at the bar; he lodged with me about a fortnight, and he told me he had left his box at Blackwall, as he had come from ſea, and ſhould bring his box in about a week; on the 28th of December he brought a box, and ſaid he had brought his box; it was half an hour paſt nine at night; he went out directly, and ſtaid an hour; he went out in the morning at eleven, or half after, and never came in till he brought the box; I lighted him up with it; I will take my oath it was the ſame he brought in that the officers took away about half paſt eleven; I am ſure.

Court to Mrs. Williams. What time did he go away from you that night?—He went home at half paſt nine on my telling him that his mother had been there.

Did he return that night?—He came in again about half paſt ten, and the men came at eleven, and while we were talking to him, I believe he ran out, for he did not lay at home that night, and when the men came up to look for the box, he was gone, and had left his ſhoes and ſtockings behind him.

ROGER BITTEN *ſworn.*

I have an apartment in White-horſe court, Sun-ſtreet; I live with Mr. Lovegrove, No. 45, Manſell-ſtreet, Goodman's-fields; I went to Long-alley about eleven o'clock,

o'clock, the 28th of December; I had heard of the robbery; my wife told me when I came home; I ſleep at home; it was Sarah Williams's houſe; the priſoner was not there; I went up to the priſoner's apartment, and two men and a girl, and afterwards Sarah Williams, came up, and I found this box; it is my box, I am very clear of it; I took it away the next morning; after that night Mrs. Williams did not know whether I was right or wrong; I went about half paſt nine the next morning, and took the box away with me, with an officer; there was in it a ſuit of black clothes of mine, and other things, which my wife knows better than I.

Court to Williams. Are you ſure that is the box that was in the priſoner's room?—I will take my oath that is the box; and nobody lodged or had any thing in the room but himſelf.

JOHN KING *ſworn.*

I am a conſtable; I went to Long-alley on the 29th of December, early, about half paſt nine, and found this box in the priſoner's apartment; the priſoner was not there; I found the priſoner in Leadenhall-ſtreet that day about eleven o'clock, and ſearched him, and found fifteen ſhillings in ſilver, this knife, and this key. (Produced.) Bitten ſaid it was his key; he had had it twenty years, he knew. (Shewed to Bitten, and depoſed to.) It unlocks the box exceeding well.

Court to Mary Bitten. Was that box in your houſe on the 28th of December?—It was.

What was in it?—Two ſilk gowns, worth 1l. one cotton gown, worth 8s. a ſattin cloak, worth 1l. a pair of ſtays and two linen ſhirts, worth 10s. beſides a coat, waiſtcoat, and breeches.

Are you ſure all the things in the box are your huſband's property?—I am; I am certain they were all in my houſe when I went out; and, beſides, I know the box.

SOPHIA WILSON *ſworn.*

I live in Sun-ſtreet, the other ſide of the way to Mr. Bitten's: at half paſt ſeven I went for my lodger's ſhirt, to Mrs. Bitten; I ſaw a light, and called for the ſhirt, and the light was blown out directly; I did not ſee who was in the room, but I heard ſomebody's feet ſcrape acroſs the floor; I felt if the padlock was on, and it was not; and I tried to unlatch the door, and I could not; there was no ſtaple on neither.

PRISONER's DEFENCE.

The box that I took into the houſe a man has had it here theſe three days, but he is not here this morning; and the key that was taken from me was the key that unlocks that box; I have no witneſſes now; they have been here theſe three days.

GUILTY, Death. (Aged 19.)

Tried by the London Jury before Mr. COMMON SERJEANT.

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69. EDWARD COX was indicted for feloniouſly ſtealing, on the 3d of January, thirteen yards of flannel, value 13s. eight yards of check linen, value 8s. nine linen pocket-handkerchiefs, value 5s. one half-yard of kerſeymere, value 4s. five yards of ſtuff, value 5s. and one yard and a half of calico, value 3s. the goods of Samuel Whitney.

PHILLIS WHITNEY *ſworn.*

I am the wife of Samuel Whitney; I live at Weſt-Ham, in Eſſex: on the 3d of January I loſt thirteen yards of flannel, in two pieces, eight yards and a half of check, ſix pocket-handkerchiefs in a piece, two ditto in a piece, and one ſingle, five yards of dark brown ſtuff, one yard and a half of calico in a waiſtcoat-piece, and one half-yard of kerſeymere; I had them all packed in one parcel at Mr. Horne's, Minories, where I purchaſed them, and directed to be left at Mr. Simms's, the White-hart and Tobacco-pipes, Whitechapel, where I had a cart; my little boy and I went there, and theſe things were put into the cart; I ſaw them in, and my little boy was driving me down: rather this ſide of the bell-founder's,

in Whitechapel, I felt the cart rather tilt up; I turned round, and I ſaw the priſoner at at the bar and another man on the tail of the cart; the priſoner at the bar had hold of the parcel, and the other took it of him, and made off towards the left-hand ſide of the way; he ſtood about a yard diſtance, at the tail of the cart, and looked at me very wiſhfully, and I cried out, I am ruined, I am ruined; and as the people came about me, the priſoner at the bar made off, and I immediately turned the cart, and made off to the Rotation-office; I deſcribed the priſoner at the bar, and went home; and I had not been home above half an hour before I was ſent for to the Rotation-office; I went, and the gentlemen of the Rotation-office took me to the watch-houſe, and the priſoner at the bar was put before me, and I then ſaid it was the man; I never found my property again; I had never ſeen the priſoner before, but that night the lamps were light, and the moon was very bright.

Is he the ſame perſon, on your oath?—He is the very ſame man; I am quite ſure, I have not the leaſt doubt of it.

JOHN FLOWERDAY.

How old are you, my little man?—I am little better than thirteen.

Do you know the nature of an oath?—Yes.

What will happen to you, if you ſhould happen to ſwear any thing that is not true?—I ſhall go to hell.

(Sworn.)

Was you with Mrs. Whitney?—I was; I drove the cart: as I was driving off the ſtones, my mother ſaid, there are ſome boys behind the cart; I looked round, and ſaw this man get off the tail-board of the cart; I had a full view of his face; then he ſtood about three minutes, looking at us; I looked at him all the while the cart was ſtanding, and my mother called out ſhe was robbed, and a little boy came up and told her there had been two people behind the cart; this was directly as the man was run off; I had ſeen one on the tail-board before the little boy came up; then they told me to turn the horſe round, and ſtop at the Rotation-office, where ſhe gave information, and we came home; and ſhe went again back that night, and I went with her.

Jury. Had your cart a tilt upon it?—No.

Court. Did you ſee any body that night? Yes, I ſaw him at the watch-houſe.

Now be cautious, and ſpeak not raſhly; did you, when you ſaw him at the watch-houſe, was you ſure it was the ſame man, or did you believe it becauſe other people ſaid ſo?—I know him from his own perſon.

Mr. Garrow. Before you went, a gentleman came to tell you the man was taken?—Yes, we went to him into the watch-houſe.

And the man was brought to you; and the man you expected to ſee was brought to you?

Jury. We conſider it only as the evidence of a child, Mr. Garrow, and you ſhould not try to draw things from him.

Mr. Garrow. There was no intention to draw any thing from him but what is the truth; you do me great injuſtice to ſuppoſe me capable of doing any ſuch thing; but it is my duty, and the duty of every one elſe, to get at the fact: however, gentlemen, it is in your hands, and much good may come of it.

Court. When you went into the watch-houſe where he was, was any body elſe in the watch-houſe?—Yes, I picked him out; he was not ſhewn to me.

JOSEPH NASH *ſworn.*

I know no more than apprehending the priſoner; Mrs. Whitney came to the office about half after five, and ſaid ſhe had been robbed, and I took the priſoner according to her deſcription; the deſcription ſhe gave was, of a man in a white jacket, much about my own ſize; I went into a houſe where there are a parcel of people come, and I took him, and I kept him for Mrs. Whitney's coming, and then I went away.

Priſoner. I leave it to my counſel; Mr. Naſh knows me never to wear a white jacket, and he has known me two years.

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Court to Naſh. Had he a white jacket on that night?—No, it was a white coat; I never ſaw him in a white jacket.

(The priſoner called one witneſs to his character.)

GUILTY. (Aged 22.)

Impriſoned three months in Newgate, and publicly whipped.

Tried by the firſt Middleſex Jury before Mr. Juſtice WILSON.

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70. JOHN DAVIS was indicted for feloniouſly ſtealing, on the 20th of December, one bearing iron bar, value 2s. and ten iron rails, value 8s. from Iſlington church-yard, the property of the Rev. Mr. Strahan, rector of the pariſh.

He was charged in a ſecond count, laying it to be the property of Thomas Beard, Thomas Pemberton, and Thomas Johnſon, the churchwardens of the ſaid pariſh.

He was charged in a fourth count, laying it to be the property of the pariſhioners.

He was charged in a fifth count, laying it to be the property of perſons unknown.

(The witneſſes examined ſeparate, by the priſoner's deſire.)

THOMAS THOMPSON *ſworn.*

I am a watchman in the pariſh of St. Mary, Iſlington: betwixt five and ſix in the evening I went upon duty, as a private watchman, by the order of the gentlemen; and when I came there, I found part of the property gone from the tomb; this was on the 20th, the Tueſday evening before Chriſtmas-day; I found part of the iron railing gone, and I went and ſpoke to the perſon that watched the evening before; they were gone from the tomb the Eaſt part of the church; the tomb is not connected with the church, as I know of, but it is not far off; the other man told me it was ſafe yeſterday and this afternoon; I went back immediately, and my partner, Henry Tramble, with me; and theſe iron rails brought here now were ſtanding; and I ſtood a little diſtance, and ſaw a ſingle man come into the yard, and he ſtood and looked over the gate, but did not go through; the firſt that came touched nothing at all, but went back again, and then two men came in, and took hold of the property, and tore it up; they *tored* up the iron-work out of the ſtones; they took up one bearing iron bar and ten iron rails; this was all that were left at the tomb, the reſt were taken away at other times; afterwards they went away and left it, and I got from my place where I was, and found the property not gone; I went to Mr. Manton (they went into Croſs-ſtreet), to acquaint him of it, the houſe adjoining the church-yard, and Henry Tramble came to my aſſiſtance; I came back again, Henry ſtood in the church-yard, and then I went to the tomb, and then they came from Croſs-ſtreet, and the priſoner and another came and took the iron-work up, and took it away; it was the ſame two men as pulled it up; I had no lights but the lamps in the church-yard, they ſtand back and front; I let them go a little way, and then got out of my place; the firſt man had nothing, and I came between them, and the priſoner threw them down on a grave, on the ſide of the foot-path; he ran away, and I after him; I found he got ground of me, and I ſtruck him; he ran down the Lower-ſtreet into Croſs-ſtreet, and there I loſt ſight of him for the ſpace of a minute; Mr. Manton, the beadle, took him, and I ſaw him in his hands.

Now, with the little light you had, did you ſee his face?—I did not; his back was to me when he had the property; I did not ſee his face till after he was taken.

As you loſt ſight of the man, and did not ſee his face, how can you venture to ſwear that the man that was in the hands of Manton was the man you ſaw with the property?—Mr. Manton ſtood in the Croſs-ſtreet; I did not ſee his face.

THOMAS BEARD *ſworn.*

I was churchwarden of the pariſh; Thomas Pemberton and Thomas Johnſon were the other churchwardens; we have the letting

letting of the tombs, and when they are put up they have no right to take them away without leave from the Commons; while they are up, we conſider them as under our care.

HENRY TRAMBLE *ſworn.*

I am a watchman; Thompſon called me out of my houſe to come and aſſiſt him in ſecuring the priſoner; directly after, there was a whiſtle given; I run round, and ſees the priſoner run very haſtily along the bottom of the yard, and went out through the poſts towards the Lower-ſtreet, and about ten yards from the poſts Thompſon ſtruck the priſoner on the head, but not ſo hard as to hurt him much; I did not loſe him; I followed him; and directly as I came up, Mr. Manton had got him; Mr. Manton was ſtanding juſt at the corner of a field, going down to Cannonbury-fields; from the time I firſt ſaw him it was not above two minutes before he was taken, for he ran very violent and faſt, and I ran up to Manton immediately.

Had you obſerved his face?—I had not ſeen his face till the time I came up to the corner; he had a white jacket on, with ſleeves; I did not ſee any perſon there, except the priſoner; I did not ſee him throw any thing down, I only ſaw this man running haſtily out of the church-yard, and the watchman after him; and when I came up to him, he appeared almoſt ſo out of breath, he could hardly ſpeak; the laſt witneſs followed him as faſt as he could, but by calling out ſtop thief he was winded.

Did you purſue the ſame man as Thompſon did?—I did, and the ſame man is the priſoner.

Court to Thompſon. Were there any blows paſſed between you and the man?—Only I ſtruck him once; the priſoner was the foremoſt man, and the man that threw the things down, and the man that I ſtruck; when I purſued, Tramble purſued too, and ran quicker than I did; I was quite ſpent by running and hallooing.

—— MANTON *ſworn.*

I am the beadle; about ſix o'clock I heard the cry of ſtop thief! and I ſaw the priſoner running, and I ran about thirty yards, and caught him, from where I firſt ſaw him; he appeared to have ran as far as he could run; he was very much agitated; I delivered him to Harry Tramble, and Tramble ſaid that was the man.

PRISONER's DEFENCE.

Laſt Tueſday three weeks I was at work for Mr. Royſton, in Iſlington; between eight and nine in the morning, one Dunlock, ſeeing me at work, aſked me to take a walk with him; I went out with him, and in the evening afterwards I was going up to the Coach and Horſes, acroſs Iſlington, to ſee a perſon that was to help me to another job; theſe two men came and laid hold of me, and dragged me about as if I was the dirt under their feet; pleaſe you, my Lord, I am as innocent as you yourſelf.

GUILTY. (Aged 19.)

Tried by the firſt Middleſex Jury before Mr. RECORDER.

(The caſe reſerved for the Judges.)

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71. MARGARET GEARY was indicted for feloniouſly ſtealing, on the 7th of January, in the dwelling-houſe of Paul Chadwick, Eſq; a Bank-note, value 50l. the property of the ſaid Paul Chadwick.

PAUL CHADWICK *ſworn.*

I live in Sloane-ſtreet, Knightſbridge, St. Luke's, Chelſea; I keep a houſe there; I miſſed the note the 7th of this month, a 50l. Bank-note, out of my bureau; it was locked; but I left my keys one night in a lower drawer, about eight days; I had the Bank-note there ſince the beginning of December; I cannot be certain to the number of it; the conſtable has it.

WILLIAM BURRIDGE *ſworn.*

I am the conſtable: on Saturday, the 7th of this month, Mr. Chadwick ſent for me, and I went and ſearched his two ſervants; and

and Margaret Geary ſpoke ſomething to Mr. Sadgrove, that was the man that came to fetch me, while I was ſearching the man-ſervant, and he followed her out; and ſoon after they came in, and brought me in this little book (a book produced), and the note was tied up in it; I have kept it ever ſince.

What converſation had there been about the note?—I did not hear any thing.

——— SADGROVE *ſworn.*

On the 7th of January Mr. Chadwick came to me, and deſired me to ſtep with him, for he was ruined; immediately I went with him, and Mr. Chadwick took me to Mr. Bond, and he granted a ſearch-warrant; Mr. Bond ſaid to me, run and ſee if you can find a conſtable; I immediately ran to Chelſea, Sloane-ſtreet, Sloane-ſquare; I found Mr. Burridge, and begged of him to come up with me to Juſtice Bond; Mr. Bond produced the warrant, and he ſays to me, Sadgrove; I adviſe you to go with the conſtable, and ſee it ſerved; and ſo I went with the conſtable to Mr. Chadwick's houſe, and Mr. Chadwick was in the garden when I came; and he came, and we went into the fore-parlour together; and then the conſtable came, and knocked at the door afterwards; and then Mr. Chadwick had his ſervants into the room; and after the maid had come up, he ſaid he had miſſed, or loſt, I cannot tell which, a Bank-note of 50l. and he had a ſearch-warrant, and there was the conſtable, and that they muſt both be ſearched; the conſtable began on the man-ſervant firſt; he pulled off his coat, he ſearched it all over, and then his waiſt-coat, I believe, and then his ſtockings, and he was ſearching them; and by this time the maid-ſervant was diſpoſed, as I underſtood her, either to ſpeak to me, or her maſter; I immediately took more notice of her, and comprehended that ſhe wanted to ſpeak with Mr. Chadwick; I turned about to the priſoner, and ſaid, what, do you know any thing of this? ſhe ſaid faintly, yes, I have got it; Mr. Chadwick and I and ſhe went into the paſſage; ſhe immediately fell on her knees when Mr. Chadwick came out, and gave me a little book; and Mr. Chadwick went and told the conſtable, to prevent his ſearching any further, and he came out, and I delivered this book with the note.

Did you open the book before you gave it to Mr. Chadwick?—I cannot ſay.

Did you ſee it opened?—Yes.

What was in it?—A 50l. Bank-note; I delivered it to the conſtable.

Court to Conſtable. In what condition was the book delivered to you?—Tied up.

When was it opened?—Immediately, in the parlour; the 50l. Bank-note was in it; I have kept it ever ſince.

(The Bank-note read by the Clerk.)

PRISONER's DEFENCE.

I cleaned the room out with a flannel, and under the bureau I took out this note with the flannel, and I put it into my pocket; I cannot read or write, nor I did not know it was a Bank-note, and ſo I did not know in conſequence that it was different from other paper; I never heard it inquired for till my maſter called me up from my work, and then ſhut the door; I was quite thunderſtruck to ſee the gentleman and the conſtable in the parlour; when my maſter aſked me about a 50l. note, a 50l. note, Sir! replied I; directly it ſtruck me it muſt be that that I had put in my pocket; on that, I ſpoke to Mr. Sadgrove; he looked at me, and nodded at my maſter, and they both followed me out into the paſſage; and I told them I did not keep it with an intent to ſteal it; and therefore I put my hand into my pocket, and aſked them if that was the note; ſays I, pleaſe to look at it.

Court to Chadwick. Was the book yours?—No, it was the maid's.

Court to Priſoner. How long have you lived with your maſter?—Seven months.

(Mr. Chadwick gave her a good character, having had a character with her of three years and a half when he took her, and having not the leaſt ſuſpicion of her being bad inclined, but very ignorant, and he did not know as ſhe could write, having never

never received any wages of him, nor ſigned any receipt.

GUILTY, Death.

Tried by the firſt Middleſex Jury before Mr. Juſtice BULLER.

(Recommended to mercy by the Jury and the Proſecutor, who promiſed, if permitted, to take care himſelf to ſend her to Swanſea, in Wales, her own country.)

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72. JOHN SEYBRETT was indicted ſtealing, on the 16th of December, a pair of ſtays, value 5s. a ſilk jacket, value 5s. two ſilk petticoats, value 8s. a ſilk cloak, value 2s. and various other articles, the goods of Elizabeth Staker.

ELIZABETH STAKER *ſworn.*

I live in Gower's-walk, No. 3, Whitechapel; I am a lodger; I loſt my apparel on the 16th of December; I miſſed them at eleven o'clock, from my chamber; it was two pair of ſtairs; I mentioned it next morning to the landlord of the houſe, Mr. Cooke, that I loſt theſe things; the priſoner works in the houſe, a taylor.

JOHN DENHAM *ſworn.*

I was the next-door neighbour partly; Mrs. Staker deſired me to go with her, and take the priſoner, at his maſter's houſe; afterwards he owned where the property was; it was moved as far as Gun-ſtreet, Spitalfields; the priſoner at the bar went with me to the houſe, and in a back room up one pair of ſtairs he gave me the property off the teſter of the bed; he firſt of all took down two towels, and then the reſt of the things tied up in a towel. (Produced.)

WILLIAM COOKE *ſworn.*

Mrs. Staker lodges in my houſe, and the priſoner worked in my houſe.

Mrs. Staker. I had the things delivered into my care at the juſtice's, and have kept them ever ſince.

(The things depoſed to.)

PRISONER's DEFENCE.

I was going into the yard, and ſaw theſe things on the tiles, and there was a man jumped over the tiles; I picked them up, and I thought I would play the rogue with with them: when they were aſked for, I delivered up the things ſafe.

The priſoner called, for his character,

Mr. Cooke. He has worked for me a year and nine months; he is about nineteen; he never wronged me of any thing, to the beſt of my knowledge.

GUILTY.

Tried by the ſecond Middleſex Jury before the Lord CHIEF BARON.

(Recommended to mercy by the Jury.)

Fined 1s. *and impriſoned ſix months in the houſe of correction.*

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73. WILLIAM SAUNDERS was indicted for ſtealing, on the 19th of December laſt, one tin caniſter, value 2d. and two pounds weight of tea, value 5s. the property of Daniel Cliſſall, privily in his ſhop.

MARY CLISSALL *ſworn.*

I am wife to Daniel Cliſſall, a grocer; I was not in the ſhop at the time the property was taken; I only prove the property.

JAMES BURN *ſworn.*

I am a patrol: on the 19th of December, coming up Drury-lane, I ſaw two men near this ſhop; I thought they looked like ſuſpicious people; in five minutes one of the men opened the door, and went into the ſhop, and took the caniſter out of the houſe; I ſtopped them in the ſtreet, and aſked them what they had, and they ſaid, nothing; with that the priſoner threw the caniſter from under his arm into the ſtreet; he turned round ſhort, and began to run, and I ſtopped him; I picked up the caniſter and brought it back into the ſhop, and left it with Mrs. Cliſſall. (Produced and depoſed to.) It is four-ſhilling green tea; there is 2 lb. and a half.

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PRISONER's DEFENCE.

I was coming by, and a man came out of the ſhop and threw down the tea, and they took me in a miſtake; I am innocent.

(James Eldin, a cook and confectioner, who had known him from an infant, and with whom he was apprentice, gave him a very good character.)

GUILTY of ſtealing, but not privately.

Tried by the firſt Middleſex Jury before Mr. Juſtice BULLER.

Mr. Eldin. My Lord, the priſoner will be very happy in going for a ſoldier.

Court. If I was ſure of his going; but I underſtand applications have been made of that ſort, the Court have indulged them, and they have not gone.

Eldin. My Lord, I will be bound in 500l. that I will ſee him ſafely ſecured to the officer before he leaves his confinement; and more than that, I have ſpoken to an officer; this day or tomorrow morning he ſhall be taken.

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74. ROBERT SURRIN was indicted for ſtealing, on the 6th of January, 70 lb. weight of lead, value 5s. belonging to Catherine Ratcliff, ſpinſter, affixed to her dwelling-houſe.

JOHN WILLIS *ſworn.*

I am a private gentleman: I had a letter directed to me down in Kent, upon which I came to town laſt Tueſday, the 9th; Catharine Ratcliff rents a houſe of me; I went upon the top of the roof of her houſe, and I looked at it, and found it almoſt unroofed, and likewiſe over the garret and gutter lead; at the Rotation-office the next day I ſaw the priſoner committed.

WILLIAM RATCLIFF *ſworn.*

I am brother to Catherine Ratcliff; ſhe rents the houſe; I lodge there: on the 6th of January, near twelve o'clock at night, I was going to bed, and heard a noiſe in the next houſe, a very great rumbling; I ſaid, there is ſomebody in the next houſe a-thieving, and I heard the talking; there might be four or five, by the talking; I ſuppoſed them to be up ſtairs, for the noiſe of the talking came from the top of the houſe; I went and alarmed Mr. Lack, a baker; I came into my houſe again, and jumped off a wall ten or twelve feet high, and ſtood in order to prevent them running away; one Smith came with a light, and we went into one of the houſes; we went and rummaged there, and ſaw nothing of them; then we came to the houſe next our houſe, and the firſt thing we found a great piece of lead rolled up in the yard, ready to carry away; then we went into the ſhop, and there was another piece rolled up; then we looked round, and found the priſoner under the ſtair-caſe, concealed, with his head right in under the ſtairs; we hauled him out; we had no means to get him but by breaking the door, becauſe the door was locked; I broke the door open with my ſtick; he was in the ſhop, and the ſhop-door goes into the ſtreet; he had nothing about him; and then I had him committed: I ſaw another man get off our houſe into an empty houſe; I went all over the houſes, and our houſe; there is a piece taken off the dormer window of the garret; the other two houſes were entirely ſtripped; I tried one of the pieces of lead, and it fitted that garret-window; it was meaſured; I was preſent; here is a garden-pot ſtand, which ſtood on the lead, and there is the mark of it on the lead; the lead was carried up to the watch-houſe by the conſtable; I believe it to be the ſame now as was taken from the houſe; the mark of the garden-pot ſtand is on it now.

JOHN LOVEJOY *ſworn.*

I am a plumber: I went to theſe houſes with Mr. Ratcliff on Wedneſday, the day we went before the magiſtrate, and there was a piece of lead miſſing off the dormer window; I am well ſatisfied this is the lead; I compared it, and it fitted exactly; there was a bit of lead nailed where they have torn it away; I took the pot-ſtand, and tried,

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and am very poſitive it came from this place.

Priſoner. I would only aſk this gentleman, whether, when he found me, I was not aſleep, and in liquor; and whether I did not ſay that it was an empty houſe, and I had no money to pay for my lodging, and I found the door open.

Court to William Ratcliff. How do you think he got into the houſe?—No way but by getting over a wall ten or twelve feet high; that is Eſquire Maddox's houſe.

Was the lead found in the ſame houſe in which he was, or in the adjoining houſe?—In the ſame houſe where he was; one piece was not above five or ſix feet from him: not one houſe is inhabited in the whole buildings, except my ſiſter's.

Priſoner. I want to aſk him whether he found any property on me.

GUILTY. (Aged 36.)

Tranſported for ſeven years.

Tried by the ſecond Middleſex Jury before Mr. RECORDER.

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75. JOHN STUDLEY was indicted for feloniouſly aſſaulting David Smith, on the King's highway, on the 10th of January, and putting him in fear, and feloniouſly taking from his perſon, and againſt his will, a glaſs bottle, value 2d. and a pint of Liſbon wine, value 16d. the goods of David Smith.

DAVID SMITH *ſworn.*

I work in the wine trade: laſt Tueſday night I was going from my maſter's, Piccadilly, to Spital-ſquare, for three dozen of wine; I pitched it at the corner of Brown-ſtreet, Seven-dials, and unfortunately a hackney-coach paſſing by knocked my hamper down off the pitching-block; I took up the hamper, and went into a public-houſe to ſee what was broke, and there was only one broke; I took my hamper out again, to take it on the pitching-block, to put it on my head; the priſoner came to help me on with it, under a pretence, and he picked out ſome of the bottles, but I could not tell how many then, till I counted them; I took one from him, which I have here now; the hamper was tied down with cords, but no cover; he took another out, but I took the firſt from him, and he told me he would knock me down if I would not let him have it, and I ſeized him by the collar and called for aſſiſtance, and two conſtables ſeized him: there were two bottles more that I could not find: there was another with him.

You ſay there was one other with him; where did you ſee the other firſt?—In the public-houſe where I went in; he helped me up too; I catched hold of this; he eſcaped.

CHARLES YOUNG *ſworn.*

On Tueſday, about five o'clock, I heard a man calling out, Murder, and thieves! they were robbing him at the corner of Hog-lane; I ran up, and ſaw the proſecutor get hold of the priſoner, with the wine-bottle in his hand; I took the wine from him, and took the priſoner before the magiſtrate.

PRISONER's DEFENCE.

I was drinking where this man was; I went out; he ſaid, my friend, will you let me have a hand; I did; his hamper fell down again; he turned himſelf about, and ſaid, I wiſh your head broke, you d—n'd raſcal; you want to rob me: I was paid off the Ardent.

GUILTY of ſtealing, but not of the highway robbery.

Impriſoned three months in the houſe of correction, and fined 1s.

Tried by the ſecond Middleſex Jury before the Lord CHIEF BARON.

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76. ANN RIDING, alias DAW, was indicted for ſtealing, on the 14th of December, four pewter pint pots, value 2s. the goods of Iſaac Venys.

ISAAC

ISAAC VENYS *ſworn.*

I keep the Carpenters-arms, No. 9, James-ſtreet, Oxford-road; I loſt ſome pint pots.

CHARLES BROWN *ſworn.*

I am ſervant to Mr. Venys; I was ſtanding at my maſter's door, and I ſaw the priſoner take up the pots.

(Produced, and depoſed to by the name.)

Brown. I was going out to help my fellow-ſervant; I know the pots were miſſing.

Priſoner. I frequently had a pint of beer in the evening at this door; I had had a pint, and had got the pint pot in my hand, and the boy took up three, and ran and called to his maſter, and ſaid I had taken the pots, and the maſter ran after me.

GUILTY. (Aged 25.)

Fined 1s. *and impriſoned one month.*

Tried by the ſecond Middleſex Jury before Mr. RECORDER.

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77. MARY BEVAN was indicted for ſtealing, on the 10th of January, two pint pewter pots, value 10d. the property of Peter Hill.

PETER HILL *ſworn.*

I am a publican, at the Marlborough-arms, Thornhaw-ſtreet, near Gower-ſtreet; I ſwear to the two pint pots.

JOHN STRAIT *ſworn.*

I was at the kitchen window, and ſaw the priſoner come into the paſſage, and take the pots out; I followed her, and ſaw her throw the pots under a gate-way; I took her to Mr. Hill's.

(The pots depoſed to.)

Priſoner. I am not guilty.

GUILTY.

Privately whipped, and diſcharged.

Tried by the ſecond Middleſex Jury before the Lord CHIEF BARON.

78. JOHN CLEE was indicted for ſtealing, on the 5th of January, three quart pewter pots, value 4s. the property of Peter Hill.

(The priſoner was taken with the property.)

GUILTY.

Confined ſix months in the houſe of correction, and fined 1s.

Tried by the ſecond Middleſex Jury before the Lord CHIEF BARON.

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79. JOHN STRINGER was indicted for ſtealing, on the 13th of December, three pieces of woollen cloth, and other things, value 2l. 18s. the property of Robert Smart.

ROBERT SMART *ſworn.*

I live in Denmark-ſtreet; I am a taylor; on the 13th of December I miſſed the things in the indictment; I fancy they were taken on Sunday the 11th; the priſoner ſerved the latter part of his time with me, two years, and rather better; the things were in a box, which was under a board where I cut out on; the box was locked; the conſtable took the key out of his pocket; the conſtable has the things.

BENJAMIN POWELL *ſworn.*

On the 13th of December I took the priſoner, with the things.

(The things depoſed to.)

Priſoner. I have nothing to ſay.

GUILTY.

(He was recommended by the Proſecutor.)

Tried by the ſecond Middleſex Jury before Mr. Juſtice BULLER.

Fined 1s. *and impriſoned ſix months in the houſe of correction.*

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80. THOMAS WATKINS was indicted for ſtealing, on the 19th of Decem-

ber, 5 lb. of mutton, value 12d. and 8 lb. of beef, value 2s. the property of Benjamin Rogers.

BENJAMIN ROGERS *ſworn.*

I live in Newton-ſtreet, High Holborn; I am a butcher; I loſt ſome mutton and beef on the 10th of December, between nine and ten at night; I loſt two breaſts of mutton; they were laid down on the ſtall-board for ſale; I had ſeen them not five minutes before; they were worth 18d. at leaſt; there was a piece of a loin and a piece of a leg, and two pieces of beef; I got the mutton again, in about ten minutes, in the priſoner's apartment; I ran to fetch my boy, and when I returned, all my meat was gone; one of the Bow-ſtreet officers came down the ſtreet; I told him; and by information I went to the priſoner's apartment with this Jacobs; he was coming down ſtairs; ſays I, Mr. Watkins, I was looking for you (they told me his name was Watkins); I found the meat under the bed and the chair; but the people in the ſtreet ſaid, d—n his eyes, let his bloody tripe out, and I ran down; I was afraid they would have hurt him; the priſoner was taken afterwards to the watch-houſe; he had a large knife in his pocket; I can ſwear to the mutton and beef; the piece of beef was ſold, and chopped; and the loin was cut remarkably.

THOMAS HESLOP *ſworn.*

I am a watchman; I took the priſoner at the White-hart, in Newtoner's-lane; he was ſtanding in the tap-room; I did not ſee him drink; in his pocket I found a long knife, open, what we call a caſe knife.

Priſoner. I know nothing of it.

GUILTY.

Tried by the ſecond Middleſex Jury before Mr. Juſtice WILSON.

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81. JOHN LEECH was indicted for ſtealing, on the 9th of December, a cloth great coat, value 2s. the property of William Grant.

WILLIAM GRANT *ſworn.*

I loſt a great coat out of Mrs. Raymond's (a baker's) ſhop, at Hadley, on the 9th of December; I am her ſervant; I heard a cry that a man had run away with a loaf; it was about a quarter paſt five; I caught him with this great coat under his left arm; it is my coat; I pulled it off about an hour before.

Priſoner. Two men were running by me, and they dropped a coat, and I picked it up.

GUILTY.

To be fined 1s. *and paſſed to his pariſh.*

Tried by the ſecond Middleſex Jury before the Lord CHIEF BARON.

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82. FRANCIS STEVENS was indicted for ſtealing, on the 29th of December, 200 lb. weight of paper, value 30s. the property of Sir Eliſha Vanneck, Bart. three pair of copper plated candleſticks, value 10s. one pair of ſilver ditto, value 5l. a ſilver wine funnel, value 10s. a ſilver bread-baſket, value 4l. two ſilver coffee pots, value 10l. twenty ſilver table-ſpoons, value 10l. twelve ſilver deſert-ſpoons, value 5l. and various other things, value 7l. 9s. the property of Maximilian Cherſhott, Eſq;

SAMUEL BRACEY *ſworn.*

I am a cheeſemonger: the priſoner applied to me, and aſked me if I bought waſte paper; I told him I did; the firſt I bought of him was in the month of November; I bought of him four or five times; he ſhewed me ſome of it; I bought to the amount of 2 or 300 lb. weight; I aſked him whoſe property it was; he ſaid he was ſent by Mr. Hibbet's butler, that his maſter had given it to him; part of the paper I have kept; it ſtood publicly in the ſhop; I could diſtinguiſh this, becauſe theſe are in books, and the reſt are all news-papers, or quite different. (Produced.) The laſt purchaſe was not long before Chriſtmas.

ABRAHAM

ABRAHAM MISSOFA *ſworn.*

I am clerk in the counting-houſe of Sir Joſhua Vanneck: on the 4th of January, a gentleman called from Sir Sampſon Wright's, with a book, to know if I knew any thing of it; I believe his name is Davis; on examining the book, I found it was the writing of the late Sir Joſhua, the father of the preſent Sir Joſhua: we get into the counting-houſe out of a ſtable-yard, and adjoining to the counting-houſe is a coach-houſe, and over the coach-houſe is this room where the books were depoſited; there is no room over the counting-houſes; the room over the coach-houſe was occupied for old books that we did not want; we have a door that comes into the coach-houſe, and there is a part of a pair of ſtairs, and a ladder; on entering that room, Mr. Cowling and I found all the books were laid out of their place, taken off the pile, ſo that you could hardly get into the room; I went in by a key, and found it locked; James Cowling was with me; and amongſt the books lay a parcel of china plates, and two ſilver waiters, which I have here; and a door which has communication from this room to a hay-loft of Mr. Raikes was unbolted, and open; and there was a hole between the window and this door, which is a narrow place only of lath and plaiſter next to the door, big enough for a man to come through, and it was filled up with hay; and on going out, when we found things in this ſituation, I found a paper which is the contents of what plate was in the box; I have kept it ever ſince. (Produced.) Here is another liſt, which laid with them, and ſome of the china: on Saturday following I went with theſe papers, and this ſilver waiter, and part of the china, to Sir Sampſon Wright's, and examined it againſt the plate that was in the box; it exactly correſponded with the coat of arms that was in the trunk, and with the liſt, except a few things that are ſold: all the things that were at Sir Sampſon Wright's are here, ſealed by Juſtice Addington's ſeal and mine.

JAMES COWLING *ſworn.*

I am clerk to Sir Joſhua Vanneck; I know thoſe things belong to Sir Joſhua Vanneck; I went into the room with the laſt witneſs; the door we generally go in was locked, as I laſt left it; I really think it was eight months ago I was in before; I remember the condition in which it was left: when I went in with the laſt witneſs, every thing ſeemed to be moved from its place; there was no obſtruction by the door-way at all; the things always were awkwardly placed; immediately when I got in, I obſerved a cheſt of china removed from under the window, and great part of it taken out; I obſerved a hair trunk miſſing.

Was that trunk ever found?—Yes; it contains the plate.

It is not in the indictment?—I miſſed nothing elſe, except a quantity of old books, taken from the premiſes, written account-books, copy-books, and ſundry other books; I knew enough of them to know them again; I found two waiters, as ſoon as I entered the room; and the ſecond time I went up in the room I found two inventories; I found a door that goes into the hay-loft open; there was part of the lath and plaſtering, from the door to the window, broke along at the bottom.

Were thoſe the waiters?—They were, and they have the coat of arms upon them.

Did you compare the waiters with the things in Sir Joſhua's box?—I did.

Do you know who they belong to?—Maximilian Cherſhott, a correſpondent of ours, now in Switzerland; they have been there eight or ten years.

It was not Sir Joſhua Vanneck's houſe then?—Yes, it was then Mr. Vanneck's; they were put in, by his order, for Mr. Cherſhott; he was a gentleman who lived in Leiceſterſhire, and going abroad, they were left in our care for him.

Jury. Whether he knows how long that hole had been made in the lath and plaſter? I never ſaw the hole before I went up the laſt time; I was up there eight months ago, and not ſince, till this time.

HENRY SIMPER *ſworn.*

I am coachman to Mr. Thomas Raikes.

How long has Mr. Raikes lived in this houſe?

houſe?—I believe about ſix years; I have been his coachman five years next May.

Was the priſoner in your maſter's ſervice?—No; he had been my helper for the courſe of the laſt eight or nine weeks; by getting into the ſtable, he got into the hay-loft; it adjoins to the rooms where theſe things were kept; he uſed to carry proviſions there.

Had you ſent him for proviſions before th ſe nine months?—No, not till he uſed to help me; he had my keys, and had liberty to ſleep in the ſtables; I have locked him in, and let him out in the morning.

Priſoner. Who had the keys while I was out at ſea?—I don't think any body at all had.

Court. Had he been employed before he went to ſea?—Yes.

For the laſt eight months who has had the keys out of your hands?—Two or three have had them for an hour or two, but not more.

Priſoner. My Lord, I have helped him four years, off and on.

Simper. He hath, to be ſure, but not as he has theſe eight weeks; I ſuppoſe I did not ſee much of him before that for three or four weeks.

BENJAMIN ABBOTT *ſworn.*

I am a publican, at the Globe, in North Audley-ſtreet; the priſoner lodged at my houſe eight or ten days, a little before Chriſtmas; Friday before, he went from my houſe, and returned on the Monday, with a hair trunk, and a box of china and plate; on Tueſday morning he ſaid his uncle was dead, and had left him nine hundred pounds, and ſent and had a lock and key put upon the hair trunk; on Wedneſday he went to Mr. Ibbott, in Broad-ſtreet, and ſaid that Mr. Ibbott went to look over the will, and that he had a quantity of plate left him by his uncle; I underſtood him to talk of the plate and china in the box: on Thurſday morning he aſked me to go with him to the ſilverſmith's, to ſell a pair of candleſticks, Mr. Dalby's, Bond-ſtreet, and he ſaid Mr. Ibbott was to go with him to his uncle's, at Windſor, to ſee if there was any thing more of plate left, at twelve o'clock: he took the plate away that day to Mr. Ibbott, as he told me; he went away in a hackney-coach, and took it in the coach with him: on the Friday morning I ſaw the coachman that took him, and I aſked him where he took the box; in conſequence I gave information, and had him apprehended; I ſaw him in cuſtody the Wedneſday after, and he was committed: the hair trunk was opened in the tap-room on Tueſday, the day after he brought it, and I ſaw moſt of the articles; three or four pair of candleſticks, a bread-baſket, and ſome ſilver ſpoons; I never ſaw the box again till I ſaw it at Bow-ſtreet; the officers found it, and I believe it is the ſame I ſaw at my houſe.

Priſoner. Did not I expoſe them all about to the people in the tap-room, and ſay they were come up from the country to me?—You did, and ſaid they came by the coach.

——— DALBY *ſworn.*

I am a ſilverſmith, in New Bond-ſtreet: one of the witneſſes brought the priſoner at the bar to my houſe, Wedneſday the 28th of December, and brought ſome ſilver table-ſpoons, and a caſter, for me to weigh them; Abbott ſaid they had been laying a wager about the weight, and wiſhed to know; and I weighed and told them, and they took them away; they were both ſtrangers to me then: on Friday morning, the 29th, they came again, and brought a pair of candleſticks, and I aſked Abbott if they were the priſoner's property or not; he ſaid, yes, he knew they were, and that his uncle was dead, and had left him nine hundred pounds; I aſked him his name, and where he lived; he ſaid Abbott, and kept the Globe, in North Audley-ſtreet; I ſaid I ſhould put his name down, to know, if any thing ſhould happen about theſe candleſticks; with that, I weighed the candleſticks, and gave him the money for them, 7l. 11s. 6d.; I have kept them ever ſince. (Produced.)

RICHARD HOLDEN *ſworn.*

I am a journeyman to Mr. Jefferies; I bought half-a-dozen tea-ſpoons of the priſoner,

ſoner, about a fortnight ago, I think it was the 30th of December; I had never ſeen the priſoner before; I am ſure it was the priſoner; he told me he won them at raffling; I gave him 16s. for them; he was with me ten minutes.

ISAIAH ROBERTS *ſworn.*

I am a ſilverſmith, in Biſhopſgate-ſtreet; I produce a ſilver caſter, which I bought of the priſoner at the bar two or three days before Chriſtmas-day, I cannot ſay which; I gave 36s. 5d. for it, 5s. an ounce; he told me he won it at a raffle; he was with me five or ſix minutes; I am certain he is the man I bought it of.

RICHARD CHANTRY *ſworn.*

I am a carpenter; the priſoner came to my houſe, Thurſday after Chriſtmas-day, ſaid that his uncle was dead, and had left him nine hundred pounds and all his plate; he aſked me leave to lodge the trunk in my houſe a day or two; I have known him four or five years; I gave him leave; he told me, that afternoon, he was going to Windſor to examine his uncle's will, with a gentleman; the next day the officers from Bow-ſtreet came to my houſe, and aſked whether there was not a trunk left at my houſe; he had it delivered to him, his name is Lavender; the priſoner opened the trunk, and I ſaw a bread baſket and ſome other things; I ſhould know the trunk again.

MARY CHANTRY *ſworn.*

I am Mr. Chantry's daughter; I know the priſoner at the bar; I have ſeen him at my father's; he came to our houſe on Tueſday morning, and went away, and came again in the afternoon, and brought half-a-dozen tea-ſpoons and a pair of ſugar-tongs, and a tea-ſhell; he ſaid his uncle had left him that plate and 900l.; he gave me theſe as a preſent; I gave them to Mr. Lavender.

EDWARD LAVENDER *ſworn.*

I produce the trunk; I received it from Mr. Chantry, John's-court, No. 11, Hanway-ſtreet, in conſequence of an information firſt received from Mr. Abbott, and an inquiry made at his houſe; I did not examine it till I got to the office, when I found in it a quantity of plate of different ſorts, and it was all ſealed up, together with the plate I received from Mr. Abbott at the office; I received ſix ſilver tea-ſpoons, a pair of ſugar-tongs, and a tea-ſhell, from Miſs Chantry; they are all likewiſe in the trunk.

(The trunk opened.)

CHARLES DAVIS *ſworn.*

I am one of the patrol under Sir Sampſon Wright; I received a box, with ſome china in it, from Mr. Abbott, the landlord of the Globe, North Audley-ſtreet, the 3d of this month; I have kept it ever ſince.

Mr. Abbott. This is the box I delivered to Davis, and which the priſoner left with me; I gave the information, hearing he had carried the trunk to another place, when he told me he was going to carry it to Mr. Ibbott's.

Had you any information to whom they belonged, before you went to the juſtice?—No, no further than I apprehended myſelf; I did not know to whom it belonged, till after I made the information.

WILLIAM COOKE *ſworn.*

I am a patrol of Bow-ſtreet; I apprehended the priſoner.

PRISONER's DEFENCE.

A man came and ſaid my uncle was dead; I ſaid I was the perſon; he ſaid then I muſt give him a crown; he gave me a note, and a key, in which it was mentioned that my uncle was dead, and had left me 900l. and the contents of that box; he gave me this note on my refuſing to give him a crown, as he aſked, for carrying of the trunk; there was a card nailed on the box, Francis Stevens: Mr. Brown knows me ever ſince I was a child.

Court to Cowling. Do you know this box?—Yes, I do.

(The priſoner called ſix witneſſes, who gave him a good character.)

GUILTY. (Aged 20.)

Tranſported for ſeven years.

Tried by the London Jury before Mr. RECORDER.

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83. JOHN MATTHEWS and SAMUEL LARTER were indicted for ſtealing, on the 23d of November, three hundred and ſeventy yards of printed callico, value 64l. one hundred and ſixty-eight yards, value 10l. ſix yards ditto, value 18s. three yards ditto, value 3s. three yards ditto, value 3s. five yards and a quarter of blue damaſk, value 35l. and four damaſk table-cloths, the goods of George Oakley; eighty-four pieces of nankeen, value 28l. the goods of George ——, in the dwelling-houſe of the ſaid George Oakley.

(The caſe opened by Mr. Garrow.)

(The witneſſes examined ſeparate.)

GEORGE OAKLEY *ſworn.*

I live in St. Paul's church-yard, an upholſterer; the priſoner Matthews came to me the 14th of laſt February; he was my porter. About the 15th of November there was a quantity of nankeens miſſing. I was loth to ſuſpect I had a thief in my houſe. I did nothing when I miſſed the nankeens; but on Wedneſday, the 23d of November, I miſſed a quantity of printed callico, and I apprehended Matthews.

Mr. Knowlys, Priſoners Counſel. Have you any partner?—No.

You ſay, you apprehended the priſoner?—I did.

When was that?—On the 23d of November.

He was taken before the Lord-Mayor?—He was.

How many examinations did he undergo?—Twice.

He was diſcharged then?—He was.

Did you offer to take him into your ſervice again on his being diſcharged before the Lord Mayor?—I did not.

How many times did he call at your houſe after he was diſcharged at the Lord Mayor's?—I requeſted him to call at my houſe ſeveral times.

I believe, at the extent of fourteen days?—No, not ſo long; I did it, that I might take an opportunity of finding out his accomplice. I told him, I ſhould perſevere in it.

ELIZABETH WRIGHT *ſworn.*

I live with Mr. George Oakley, a ſervant of all work. I know the priſoner at the bar; I ſaw Larter at our houſe the 20th of November; I made tea for him in company of the other; he came to viſit John Matthews. I cannot ſay I obſerved any thing of Matthews, except that he had plenty of money, and to all appearance he did not ſeem to have much when he firſt came. My orders were at night to ſee the porter's candle out. I have looked at times down ſtairs, having a well ſtair-caſe, and ſeen his candle alight; in conſequence I have called to him, and he has anſwered, he would put it out preſently, or when he pleaſed. He ſlept in the ſhop.

JONATHAN SIMS *ſworn.*

I live in Cartwright-ſquare, Eaſt Smithfield, a woolcomber; I know one of the priſoners perfectly well, Larter, theſe ſeven years. Larter called at my houſe the 2d of October, and he aſked me if I would go to his houſe with him; I went, and when I came there I ſaw Matthews, and they ſhewed me a piece of printed callico; and I aſked Larter, in the preſence of Matthews, who it belonged to? Larter ſaid, it belonged to that perſon. I aſked who Matthews was, and whether I could purchaſe it ſafe? Larter told me, I could; and that he was a very honeſt man. I gave Matthews the money myſelf, 40s. for twenty yards in one piece; I paid to Matthews 40s. and took it away with me. I ſaw

Larter

Larter in the courſe of the week; he called with the fellow-piece to that I purchaſed; he left it on the Sunday morning following, they both came to my houſe together, that was twenty-one yards; they called to be paid for the piece left in the week; I paid them two guineas for it; I believe Matthews took the money. In the courſe of five or ſix weeks, from the 2d of October, I purchaſed nineteen fine pieces of printed callico, containing twenty-one yards each, and three coarſe ones, containing about twenty-eight yards; they laid by me for a month. I alſo in the courſe of the ſame time purchaſed twenty pieces of nankeen, all brought in the courſe of that time; Larter, on the week I bought the twenty pieces of nankeen, brought eighteen of them on a week day, and on the next Sunday Matthews himſelf called at my houſe, and he aſked me if I had had any nankeens brought me by Larter? I told him, I had eighteen; and he took two out of his pocket, for which I paid 7s. for the two pieces. I paid for the eighteen after the ſame manner, and he told me I might call at Larter's houſe, and pay him for the eighteen; I called on the ſame Sunday in the afternoon, and paid at the ſame rate, 3s. 6d. a piece; likewiſe for a handkerchief Larter left at our houſe, containing a piece of bed tick, a bit of plain callico, and two ſtriped pieces of cotton, red and white ſmall ſtripe. I did not ſettle for them four little articles. I had all the nankeens by me that I bought, except two pieces, that were pawned; the nankeens ran about ſix yards a piece; the twenty pieces were all ſeparate pieces; part were pledged to Mr. Thomas Arthur by my wife; other part diſpoſed of to Mr. Solomon Jewel, and brought back again to me at the time thoſe two pieces were pawned. Solomon Jewel had two pieces out for to ſell, and I got them back again at the time Mr. Oakley applied to me; he had others, which he had ſold for me.

Mr. Knowlys, Priſoners Counſel. Mr. Sims, while I aſk you a few queſtions, inſtead of looking down at your hat, look at the Jury. You are a wool-comber?—I am.

A maſter or journeyman?—A journeyman.

You wanted to fit up a journeyman's room elegantly?—It was not like that.

You had very good goods to fit it up with?—They are good.

The firſt thing you knew of this was on the 2d of October?—Yes.

This was a large parcel, Mr. Sims, was not it?—It was not ſuch a great quantity.

Not ſuch a great quantity for a poor journeyman woolcomber to lay hold of! Had you been much in the habit of purchaſing theſe ſort of goods?—Not in the bed furniture; nevertheleſs I have bought ſeveral articles belonging to women's furniture; and my wife goes into the country every Spring to ſell them.

You hold with doing this of a Sunday?—I do not know.

Was not you a little ſurprized that you ſhould have ſo good a bargain on Sunday? the better day, perhaps, the better deed! Don't you know that you are liable to be tried for having theſe goods in your poſſeſſion?—It is very poſſible it may be ſo.

Do you not know that you might have ſtood in the very ſame ſituation as thoſe two priſoners do now?—I do not underſtand that; I was never taken out of my houſe.

You do not know that you might have ſtood there, it was a trying time, it was neceſſary to ſqueak, ſo you continued buying on; you knew that the people were not in trade?—I did.

That is another ſecret?—If I had choſe to have bought, I might of the ſame perſon.

When did you ſtop your hand?—I forbid Matthews the laſt time he came to my houſe; and I met Larter in the ſtreet, and told him never to come to my houſe.

Mr. Garrow. Was any thing found on you?—No, nothing.

Any thing found in your houſe?—No, Sir.

Any proſecution inſtituted againſt you?—No, Sir.

Did

Did you then voluntarily diſcloſe all that you have told to the Jury?—I did, to Mr. Dawſon.

Is it true what you have been telling them?—It is true.

Court. You ſaid juſt now, you had not been taken out of your houſe, were you taken any where?—I was not.

JANE SIMS *ſworn.*

I am wife of Jonathan Sims; I know the two priſoners at the bar. Larter came to my huſband to go to his houſe; my huſband went; and when he came home, he brought home with him a piece of printed callico, and told me, he gave 2s. a yard for it, and brought me twenty yards. In the courſe of the week Larter brought another piece. The firſt time he came was on a Sunday; the piece he brought after was the fellow-piece to the firſt. Both the priſoners came frequently backwards and forwards to my houſe, and my huſband bought goods of them. He bought printed callicoes, and he bought ſome nankeens.

What became of thoſe two pieces of nankeens which were bought in the manner you have deſcribed?—They are ſold.

Did you carry any to Arthur's?—I pledged two pieces, and after that they were got back again; then all the callicoes were ſold to Solomon Jewel.

What became of the piece of nankeen?—We bought twenty pieces, and eighteen I gave to Mr. Dawſon; I don't know what became of the other two.

Should you know the pattern of thoſe pieces you pledged at Arthur's, if you was to ſee the pattern?—I ſhould.

Mr. Knowlys. How long has your huſband carried on the buſineſs of a linen-draper?—He never carried on the buſineſs of a linen-draper.

What was his buſineſs?—A woolcomber.

Why, this was not made of wool?—But I go into the country ſometimes.

And to get rid of goods that are a little ſuſpicious it is very expedient?—I don't know what you mean.

If you have goods in your poſſeſſion that are a little ſuſpicious, would not you try to get rid of them as ſoon as you could?—I don't know; I have nothing to ſay in the matter.

You uſually bought the goods you went into the country with on a Sunday?—They were lucky to us, and what harm.

If we do no other harm, we offend him that ordered the Sunday to be kept holy?—We do certainly do that.

So you knew at the time you was offending him that ordered the Sunday to be kept holy?—Yes.

You knew you was liable to anſwer it, if you was found out; now, by giving your evidence, you are ſheltered and protected? You know no harm will be done to you now, now you have given your evidence?—We only ſpeak the truth.

And now you know you have given your evidence no harm will be done to you?—I don't wiſh any harm.

Now I will leave you, you have let out more than your huſband let out.

Mr. Garrow. The proſecutor was in no condition to do you any harm only by your own confeſſion? He had nothing againſt you till you furniſhed him with it?—No.

THOMAS ARTHUR *ſworn.*

I received two pieces of printed callico from Mrs. Sims on the 21ſt of November, and they were redeemed again on the 24th.

Mr. Knowlys. It was from the good Mrs. Sims you received theſe, not of the priſoner?—No.

If you had known as much of Mrs. Sims as you do now, would you have received them of her?—Moſt aſſuredly not.

Mr. Garrow. Why not?—Becauſe if I had known ſo much of her character as I do now, I ſhould have known her a woman of bad character.

From what facts do you ground that upon? Have you known the woman any length of time?—No, I have not.

Do you know a ſingle act of immorality except in this tranſaction?—No.

Which

Which amounts juſt to this, that at the inſtance of her huſband ſhe has pledged two pieces of callico, and redeemed them again?—None other.

Mr. Pawnbroker, the Lord have mercy upon your cuſtomers.

JOHN SOUTHWELL *ſworn.*

I was foreman to Mr. Oakley. In the month of November laſt we miſſed ſeveral pieces of nankeen, ſeveral articles of printed callico, and two pieces of ſtriped cottons.

Have you any patterns here to produce, to correſpond to thoſe that were loſt?—Dawſon has them.

Have you got any parcel to produce?—I believe I have a little bit.

God bleſs your ſoul, do put your hand into your pocket, and produce it.

Mr. Knowlys. Are you Mr. Oakley's foreman?—I am.

How many perſons are employed under you?—Three, beſides ſeveral workmen.

(A bundle produced of Mr. Oakley's ſtock, correſponding in pattern to the things loſt.)

SOLOMON JEWEL *ſworn.*

I am in the dry ſaltering line; I am acquainted with the witneſs Sims. About three months ago Mr. Sims came to me one morning for ſome money that was due to him, and told me that he had ſome pieces of printed furniture, that he had ſold.

What did you receive from Sims?—I received two double pieces, and after that four or five, and a piece of blue damaſk, and ſome inferior printed callicoes.

Do you know the priſoners at the bar, or either of them?—I believe I have ſeen Larter at Sims's houſe. I ſold the articles I bought.

Mr. Knowlys. How long have you known Mr. Sims and his wife?—About four years.

Four years you have had dealing with them?—No, not above two years.

What buſineſs are you?—I am a dry ſalter.

What articles in the dry ſaltering are theſe printed cottons?—None at all; but if you will give me leave I will explain myſelf. Sims came and told me, he had ſome very excellent bed furniture, that he could pawn for ſix guineas, and I gave him ſix guineas for them.

Perhaps if any body had brought you a little ſilver, you would have bought it, perhaps a few diamonds, you would have conſidered it all in the dry ſaltering buſineſs?—Quite out of my line.

A little gold plate, that would have been in the dry ſaltering line?—If I had underſtood them, I ſhould. I think a man of dealing has a right to buy any thing he can get any thing by.

Mr. Garrow. I could wiſh you to change thoſe ſentiments, they will do you no good.

SUSANNAH JEWEL *ſworn.*

There were ſome articles left at your houſe by Sims?—There were, (the articles ſhewn to her,) but I do not know what was ſaid; I kept it till my huſband came home, and my huſband took it. (Shewn to Solomon Jewel, who ſaid, he received it from his wife, and carried it to his father; and ſaid, Mr. Sims called for it ſeveral times, but did not give it him, but got it of his father, and carried it to Dawſon.

Mr. Knowlys to Solomon Jewel. You had heard there had been a robbery, and ſo you came up to the office in Eaſt Smithfield?—I did.

How often have you been at the office in Eaſt Smithfield?—Never before.

How often have you ſeen Dawſon before?—Never before, till then I heard a rumour of it.

And then you went to Eaſt Smithfield?—Mr. Sims never mentioned to me about the robbery.

How much of property had you that was not diſcovered?—As much as I paid 28l. 6s. for.

This good Mrs. Sims you have been

dealing with for ſeveral years?—I have ſold him wool to a conſiderable amount.

Robert Dawſon produced a bundle he received of Jewel before the magiſtrate; depoſed to by Sims as what he received from Larter himſelf, containing a piece of cotton made into a gown, a piece of ſtriped callico, and a piece of bed tick. (All depoſed to by Mr. Oakley.)

ROBERT DAWSON *ſworn.*

I am an officer belonging to Eaſt-Smithfield: on the 17th of December, I, in company with Mr. Oakley, apprehended Matthews; on Monday I went to the houſe of Sims; I found nothing there; I ſecured Sims; I was coming away after we had made the compleat ſearch, and he deſired me to ſtep up ſtairs with him; Mr. Sims lives cloſe by me, and I have known him for ſome years; the firſt queſtion he aſked me was, if that was the gentleman that had been robbed; I told him yes; he told me that he thought it ſome of the property he had imprudently purchaſed, and that what he could recover back, he would do; I adviſed him ſo to do; and then his wife came up ſtairs: afterwards we went that evening to the houſe of Larter, with Mr. Oakley; we ſearched his houſe, but found nothing there, nor him; at length we took Larter in Fenchurch-ſtreet, and ſecured him, and took him in a coach; and he ſaid, what is all this about? if I tell all I know of this, when they get hold of Matthews, they will hang me with him.

Did he tell him it would be better for him ſo to do?—He did not: I then told him, that, as he had mentioned the name of Matthews, Matthews was already in cuſtody; he ſeemed to diſbelieve that, and ſaid, that if he could be convinced of that, and be ſecured, that then he would give evidence; I told him it did not become me to make any promiſes of that ſort, Mr. Oakley had better talk about that; by this time we came to the bottom of the court, where Mr. Oakley was waiting for us; then, when we came to the end of the court, we took Mr. Oakley up, and a friend of his, and went to the King's-arms, in Eaſt-Smithfield; when we arrived there, the magiſtrate was gone, and the priſoner Matthews was committed for re-examination on Thurſday: I put Larter into the parlour; Mr. Oakley, Mr. Rooke, and myſelf, with him; and there the priſoner Larter (Sims was not with us then) ſaid to Mr. Oakley, if he would give him a general releaſe, he could give ſufficient evidence againſt Matthews, which would convict him: I put Larter in the watch-houſe that night, and the next day I had him before the magiſtrate, and he was remanded for re-examination with Matthews: on Thurſday, Matthews and Larter were examined again at the office; the things were produced from Sims, the nankeens, and one piece, when it was ſhewn to Mr. Oakley; then the priſoner Matthews ſaid, yes, but they are not Mr. Oakley's nankeens.

Mr. Knowlys. You have been acquainted with Mr. Sims for ſome time?—I don't know that ever I ſpoke to the man in my life, except How do you do? when I paſs.

Did you go to Sims's houſe before you ſaw Mr. Oakley?—I did not; and, in fact, I went with ſome degree of reluctance; for I had that opinion of Sims, that he would not receive ſuch an article; I know Mr. Rooke very well, and, having ſeen them together, I thought he was a very creditable man; and I underſtood of Rooke, that this man Sims worked for him.

Do you know his acquaintance, Solomon Jewel?—I never ſaw him till he was at the office.

This converſation paſſed when you and Sims and Larter were preſent; Sims heard the converſation very plainly?—He could not but hear it.

It was a particular converſation; Sims ſeemed to be a good deal frightened?—I ſtand here unimpeached.

Do you think that I begin to ſmell any thing, Mr. Dawſon; conſcience ſpeaks, I am afraid, Mr. Dawſon; it certainly was a very particular converſation?—He might not think it ſo particular as I did.

Wherever I put a thruſt, you parry it, Mr.

Mr. Dawſon; you are a good fencer: perhaps, Mr. Dawſon, you are a little intereſted in this?—No, I am not.

You do not expect to derive the leaſt advantage from this conviction?—I know, whether they are convicted or not, Mr. Oakley will make me a very genteel preſent.

Sims did not whiſper this converſation to you?—He did not.

You found nothing on Larter or Matthews?—Nothing at all.

Mr. Garrow to Sims. There are ſeveral pieces of nankeens produced, as having been fetched by your wife; of whom had you received them?—From Matthews and Larter.

Was you preſent when Dawſon went to apprehend Larter?—I was with him.

Did you return with him in the coach?—

[Here Mr. Knowlys objected, as Mr. Sims had been examined before as to the facts; Mr. Garrow replied, and the Court allowed the objection.]

Mr. Garrow to Dawſon. You received all theſe nankeens from Sims?—I did.

(Depoſed to by Mr. Oakley, as well by the mark, as having received 400 pieces of Mr. Tolderoy, and when he counted them out again there were only 316.)

(The priſoners called five witneſſes to their character.)

BOTH GUILTY of ſtealing to the value of 39s.

Tranſported for ſeven years.

Tried by the London Jury before Mr. RECORDER.

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84. VALENTINE MIDDLETON was indicted for feloniouſly making an aſſault, on the King's highway, on Thomas Bromwell, on the 29th of December, and putting him in fear, and feloniouſly taking from his perſon, and againſt his will, a canvas bag, value 2d. two pounds eight ounces of white cotton twiſt, value 2s. nine ounces of cotton yarn, value 4d. two ounces of mixt-coloured cotton twiſt, value 6d. one pound of white twiſt, value 1s. and three wooden bobbins, value 1d. the goods of Joſeph Hutton.

JOSEPH HUTTON *ſworn.*

Bromwell is my apprentice; he is ten years old to-day, the 16th of January; the property was coming to me to be manufactured; Sarah Hutton ſent it to me.

SARAH HUTTON *ſworn.*

I am Mr. Hutton's ſiſter; I delivered all the articles in the indictment to my brother Joſeph's apprentice (he is in the bed-lace and fringe manufactory) on Thurſday the 29th of December, at half paſt five in the afternoon; I ſaw him go out with them.

JOSEPH HUTTON *ſworn.*

I know nothing more than I ſent my boy, about three or four o'clock, for work; I work journeyman for my brother and my ſiſter, and give work out as his ſervant.

THOMAS BROMWELL *ſworn.*

How old are you?—I am ten the 16th of January.

Have you taken an oath before?—Yes.

What will become of you, if you ſwear what is falſe?—I ſhall go to hell. I was ſent out of a Thurſday, about a quarter after five o'clock in the evening, and the lady gave me the things; there was ſome white cotton twiſt and ſome yarn, and ſome mixt-coloured cotton twiſt, and four wooden bobbins, and ſome white thread; I took them from Newgate-ſtreet, No. 5; I ſaw the priſoner before he took my bag; I was coming ſtrait home, and a man ſaid, will you go for a coach, my boy; yes, ſays I; ſays he, I will give you ſixpence; he gave me ſixpence, and took my bag; leave your bag behind you, ſays he; no, ſays I, I would rather take it up; I took it with me, and went for the coach, and when I came back that man was not there, but another man, ſhamming drunk, in a ſmock frock; ſays he, my lad, where is the coach; ſays I, here it is; and he offered me the ſixpence in my hand; and this priſoner,

priſoner, about half a minute after, came and put my hat over my eyes, and took away my bag; he put my hat over my eyes firſt; I halloo'd out, ſtop thief! he ran up Angel-court; I purſued him, and loſt ſight of him about a minute and a half; there was a watchman juſt by Break-neck ſteps that ſtopped him with the bundle, coming down Mr. Clark's ſtairs; I found my bundle at Mr. Aſhmore's, a bruſh-maker's, on Snow-hill; I ſhould know the bag again; I know the priſoner very well, I am ſure he is the man; when he knocked my hat over my eyes, he was before me; I had no ſuſpicion of him before that, but I know him by his hat, and I know him by his face; he run up Angel-court, and this was the corner he ran before me, and then I ſaw his coat.

SAMUEL JONES *ſworn.*

I am a watchman, and apprehended the priſoner.

ROBERT TROTTER *ſworn.*

I was coming down Seacoal-lane, on the 29th of December; the priſoner ran by me, and the bag was almoſt to the ground; it was quite duſkiſh, I could not ſee him drop it, but I picked it up.

(The bag depoſed to.)

GUILTY of ſtealing.

Tranſported for ſeven years.

Tried by the London Jury before Mr. RECORDER.

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85. HANNAH DAILY was indicted for ſtealing, on the 31ſt of December, a pair of women's leather ſhoes, value 5s. and four pair of children's ſhoes, value 7s. the goods of John Such.

(The caſe opened by Mr. Knowlys; and the witneſſes examined ſeparate, by the priſoner's deſire.)

SARAH SUCH *ſworn.*

I am the wife of John Such, No. 10, Aldgate: on the 31ſt of December, the priſoner came into our ſhop about nine o'clock; ſhe brought in a young woman with her; and my boy was in the ſhop, and he ſerved the other woman with a pair of ſhoes; I went into the ſhop, and ſhe ſaid, Ma'am, I like nobody's ſhoes as well as your's; fit me with a pair of dog-ſkin ſhoes; I did; and while I was gone back again to the ſhelves, ſhe got up from her chair; I goes back again, to ſee if I had any more that fit her, and ſhe made anſwer to me, perhaps you may have ſome next week, and I will call again; and ſaid, Ma'am, I wiſh you would try on that lady's ſhoes, for ſhe was ſure I ſhould fit her; I ſaid, good woman, you have ſomething you ought not to have; ſhe ſaid, I have, but I don't mean to take it away; ſhe then gave me four pair of children's ſhoes in a paper, from under her cloak; ſhe had aſked for no children's ſhoes at that time, ſhe had a week before: afterwards I ſaw her take two pair of women's leather ſhoes out of her pocket, and put them on a ſhelf; they were put up in paper to be carried home that evening; ſhe took them from the part ſhe put them to; ſhe did not offer to produce them at the time I told her of the children's ſhoes.

JAMES VENUS *ſworn.*

I am ſervant to Mr. Such. Confirmed the above.

(The ſhoes depoſed to by Mrs. Such produced by Box the conſtable.)

Priſoner. I beg for mercy, my Lord, and of every gentleman that is here; for I am really innocent.

(The priſoner called four witneſſes, who gave her a good character.)

GUILTY.

Impriſoned one month, and fined 1s.

Tried by the London Jury before Mr. COMMON SERJEANT.

86. ROBERT

86. ROBERT PERCIVAL and THOMAS FORWOOD were indicted for feloniously and burglariously breaking and entering the dwelling-house of Thomas Fenton, about the hour of seven in the night, on the night of the 1st of January, and burglariously stealing therein 60 yards of shalloon, value 3l. his property.

THOMAS FENTON *sworn.*

I am a woollen-draper, in Cloth-fair: I was robbed on the 1st of January; I went to bed about eleven on the Sunday evening; my servant shut up the shop, in the usual way; I saw the cloth the next day at the Mansion-house; I have lost 60 yards, but here is not the whole; I lost twelve or fourteen small pieces; they were lost from the shop; it was all closed in on Saturday night.

JOHN STEELE *sworn.*

I am shopman to Mr. Thomas Fenton. Confirmed the above.

JOHN KING *sworn.*

I took Percival with the property; I have kept what I took from Percival from that time to this.

(Produced and deposed to.)

(Forwood called five witnesses, and Percival one, who gave them good characters.)

ROBERT PERCIVAL, GUILTY, 39*s.*
(Aged 19.)

Privately whipped.

ROBERT FORWOOD, NOT GUILTY.

Tried by the London Jury before Mr. RECORDER.

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87. JOHN CAMPBELL was indicted for feloniously and burglariously breaking and entering, on the 23d of December, about the hour of nine at night, the house of Charles Heath, and burglariously stealing therein one silk skirt, value 5s. one satin body of a gown, value 18d. one printed muslin skirt, value 5s. one brown silk body, value 18d. one printed muslin skirt, value 4s. one brown silk body, value 4s. one cotton gown, value 18d. three linen shifts, value 5s. a linen apron, value 15d. a linen handkerchief, value 1s. a brown silk skirt, value 4s. a muslin shawl, value 4s. a wooden box, value 18d. two muslin handkerchiefs, value 3s. one stuff skirt, value 2s. a counterpane, value 7s. a cloak, value 10s. one iron key, value 1d. the goods of Sarah Chapel, spinster: And one muslin gown, value 10s. one brown silk gown, value 7s. one muslin gown, value 7s. two cotton gowns, value 7s. two cloaks, value 9s. a silk skirt, value 3s. one cotton coverlid, value 3s. the goods of Mary Chapel.

(The witnesses examined separate, by the prisoner's desire.)

SARAH CHAPEL *sworn.*

I live at No. 4, Sun-street, Bishopsgate-street, in Mr. Charles Heath's house; I lodge there, and keep a school, I and my sister; I occupy the first floor, and the back garret: on the 23d of December last I lost the things from the garret; I believe they came in by the window; I had shut the sash a little before two, but had not fastened it (I saw it at ten o'clock at night), nor my sister; the sash was only slid to, I did not fasten it; at ten o'clock at night I found it open; there were gone several gowns; my sister and I were up almost together.

Did you find any drawers, or any thing, broke open?—Yes, the drawers were all a little open, and what was left was about the ground; I have found some of the things again, and almost all.

Were the things in the indictment there at two o'clock that day?—They were; the drawers were not locked; they were found by the constable, Bilby; I know nothing about the prisoner; the door was fastened, and my sister unlocked it herself; so nobody could go in that way: I am single.

MARY CHAPEL *sworn.*

Confirmed the above.

MATTHEW BILBY *ſworn.*

I took the priſoner with the property.

ROWLAND PUGH *ſworn.*

I am a watchmaker; I ſaw the man with the things on his head, and ſaw it taken from him: juſt as we got to Peter-ſtreet, he attempted to get away; and in my attempting to hinder him, he cut my finger very much, I believe with a penknife.

JOHN GAST *ſworn.*

I am a conſtable: I was with the laſt witneſs; I ſaw Bilby lay hold of the priſoner with the bundle; I ſearched him in the watch-houſe, and found a key and an handkerchief in his breeches. (Produced.)

The key depoſed to by Sarah Chapel. It fits the box taken out of my room that night; the handkerchief I had one like it. (The bundle of articles depoſed to.) I ſuppoſe the value that belongs to me is between twenty and thirty ſhillings.

Mary Chapel. Mine is worth thirty-ſix ſhillings: I am ſure all theſe things were in the room that day; and they are my property.

(The box depoſed to by Sarah Chapel.)

Priſoner. I was hired to carry this box by two men.

GUILTY of ſtealing 39*s.* only.

Tranſported for ſeven years.

Tried by the London Jury before Mr. COMMON SERJEANT.

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88. JOHN WARD was indicted for ſtealing, on the 20th of December, one muff, called a fox-bruſh muff, value 20*s.* the goods of Auguſtus Nicolls, privily in his ſhop.

AUGUSTUS NICHOLLS *ſworn.*

I live at No. 15, in Bridges-ſtreet, in the fur buſineſs; and I loſt, on the 20th of December, between five and ſix in the evening, one fox-bruſh muff; I did not ſee it taken out of the ſhop, but I ſaw it about a quarter of an hour before; I was in the work-ſhop; it was worth 20*s.*; I heard the bell ring, and cried out, ſtop thief! I came down ſtairs, and went after him into Vinegar-yard, and the priſoner was caught.

JOHN BAYNES *ſworn.*

I am a coachman, and was ſent on an errand, and I ſaw the priſoner have the muff in his hand, and he dropped it; I ran after him, and ſtopped him.

ELIZABETH NICOLLS *ſworn.*

I was in the ſhop; it was near ſix; there were two young men came into the ſhop, to cheapen ſome powder-puffs, and we did not agree about the price, and they went out of doors; and as they were going out of the door, I ſaw the priſoner with the muff in his hand; it had been in the window; he was juſt out of the door; he had it under an handkerchief; he was not the man that cheapened the puffs; I watched them both all the time, and yet I did not ſee him take up the muff; I never was more ſurprized in my life; I cried ſtop thief! and ſtood at the door till he was brought back again. (The muff depoſed to.) I am ſure the priſoner is one of the men that was in the ſhop.

SARAH FRY *ſworn.*

I live with Mr. Nicolls, and was down in the kitchen, and heard the cry of ſtop thief! and run out down Vinegar-yard, and picked up the muff juſt as he was taken.

Priſoner. As I was coming out of the ſhop with the young fellow, I ſaw the muff lay, and I picked it up; I knew not what it was.

GUILTY of ſtealing, 4*s.* 10*d.*

(Aged 22.)

Tranſported for ſeven years.

Tried by the ſecond Middleſex Jury before Mr. Juſtice BULLER.

89. GOT-

89. GOTLIEB WILLIAMS was indicted for ſtealing, on the 1ſt of January, two watch-caſes, value 10s. and a pair of hair-worked bracelets, value 10s. the goods of John Storey.

(The priſoner was taken with the property.)

GUILTY.

Impriſoned ſix months in the houſe of correction, and publicly whipped.

Tried by the London Jury before Mr. Juſtice BULLER.

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90. GEORGE HARRIS was indicted for ſtealing, on the 17th of December, one man's hat, value 4s. the goods of Joſeph Norwell.

(The priſoner was taken with the property.)

GUILTY, (Aged 18.)

Publicly whipped.

Tried by the London Jury before Mr. RECORDER.

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91. JAMES CAMPBELL, alias JOHN CAMPBELL, otherwiſe JAMES PITT, alias JOHN DOUGLAS, was indicted for ſtealing, on the 6th of May, 1789, a Bank-note of the value of 25l. the property of Charlotte Margaretta Adams, in her dwelling-houſe.

(The caſe opened by Mr. Garrow.)

CHARLOTTE MARGARETTA ADAMS *ſworn.*

I live in Buckingham-ſtreet, York-buildings; I receive lodgers into my houſe; in the month of May, 1789, I had an account that a gentleman took my firſt floor, and the back parlour to ſleep in, by the name of Major or Colonel Campbell; I received ſolicitations the next day to ſee him; I went down to him; he ſaid he knew my family very well, he knew my brother at Gibraltar, and he ſhould be very glad if there was room for a ſon of Lord Hopetoun's: the next day ſome men called for taxes; I ſent word I had no money, except they could change a 25l. Bank-note; they could not: the next day after that I received a letter; in conſequence I gave the 25l. Bank-note to Mrs. Morgan; and in about an hour after, the lodger was gone; I gave information at Bow-ſtreet, and did not hear any thing till the beginning of this month, when I received a meſſage from Sir Sampſon Wright; I went, and there I ſaw the priſoner, whom I am poſitive is the man who lodged with me, and to whom I ſent the 25l. Bank-note.

ANN MORGAN *ſworn.*

I was ſervant to Mrs. Adams at the time this lodger came, and I received a letter (ſhewn her); it is what I received; here is my own hand-writing upon it; in conſequence I took the note to the priſoner, in the parlour, and he took his purſe out, and took out ſome gold; then he put it up again in the purſe, and ſaid he had not enough, he muſt go to his banker's; he went out, and I never ſaw him afterwards till I ſaw him at Sir Sampſon Wright's; I am certain the priſoner at the bar is the man.

Priſoner. How long was it the perſon you delivered the note to lived at Mrs. Adams's?—A few months.

(The priſoner made a long defence, and uſed many arguments to prove Mrs. Adams was miſtaken in the identity of the perſon, but ſhe ſtill continued poſitive he was the man.

GUILTY of ſtealing, but not in the dwelling-houſe. (Aged 49.)

Tranſported for ſeven years.

Tried by the ſecond Middleſex Jury before the Lord CHIEF BARON.

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92. ROBERT WATSON was indicted for ſtealing, on the 30th of December, twenty-four yards of linen cloth, called Iriſh, value 1l. 4s. the goods of Thomas Kilham, privily in his ſhop.

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THOMAS KILHAM *ſworn.*

I live in Beech-ſtreet; I loſt 24 yards of linen cloth, on Friday the 30th of December, between four and five; I was at the farther end of my ſhop, ſerving ſome company, reaching ſome goods to ſhew; happening to caſt my eye at the door, I ſaw the back of a perſon going out of the ſhop; I immediately ran to ſee who it was, and what he wanted, and ſaw the priſoner at the bar with the roll of Iriſh under his arm, about four or five doors from my own ſhop; I laid hold of his collar, and brought him back with it under his arm.

GUILTY of ſtealing, but not privately. (Aged 16.)

Tranſported for ſeven years.

Tried by the London Jury before Mr. RECORDER.

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93. HENRY JARVIS was indicted for feloniouſly ſtealing, on the 10th of December, one wooden tea caddy, value 2s. ſeven linen handkerchiefs, value 7s. a linen ſhirt, value 5s. a pair of ſilk ſtockings, value 2s. five check muſlin handkerchiefs, the goods of the Honourable Charles Wyndham: And three linen pocket-handkerchiefs, value 3s. the goods of Junius Baker.

JUNIUS BAKER *ſworn.*

I live with Mr. Wyndham; the priſoner alſo lived as his valet-de-chambre (this was on the 10th of December), in Groſvenor-place; I underſtood the priſoner had lodgings near Pimlico; he was a married man; on the 10th of December he was in Mr. Wyndham's ſervice; there were ſeveral things miſſing before; on that day Townſend went and ſearched, and found the things.

(John Townſend and Francis Margrett confirmed the above.)

The Hon. CHARLES WYNDHAM *ſworn.*

The priſoner lived with me about ſix months, and the firſt notice I had of any thing miſſing was of this Francis Margrett; on which I determined to take ſome meaſures to ſee who robbed me; Margrett firſt of all brought me up ſome dirty linen, which was not worn by me: after ſending the firſt witneſs up to town, I called the priſoner at the bar, and told him the ſteps I was going to take, and made him deliver up all his keys to Junius Baker; he delivered them up very willingly; Junius Baker ſent me a letter; I came up to town, and went to Bow-ſtreet, and theſe goods produced were found at the priſoner's lodgings; he ſaid, I did not mean to hang him; I told him I was determined to proſecute whoever I found out: I had a very good character from Lord Robert Spencer.

GUILTY, (Aged 21.)

Tranſported for ſeven years.

Tried by the ſecond Middleſex Jury before Mr. Juſtice WILSON.

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94. THOMAS STURGIS was indicted for ſtealing, on the 22d of December, a cotton gown, value 10s. the goods of Harriott Rogers.

(The priſoner was taken with the property.)

GUILTY. (Aged 51.)

Publickly whipped.

Tried by the firſt Middleſex Jury before Mr. RECORDER.

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95. JOHN LE CONTE was indicted for ſtealing, on the 28th of December, two printed bound books, value 2s. the goods of Ely Andrews.

(The priſoner was taken with the property.)

GUILTY. *Whipped.*

Tried by the firſt Middleſex Jury before Mr. Juſtice BULLER.

96. JAMES

96. JAMES WOOD and SARAH HUTCHINS were indicted for feloniously ſtealing, on the 31ſt of December, 13 lb. weight of cheeſe, value 5s. the goods of Margaret Brown, privily in her ſhop.

(The priſoner was taken with the property.)

JAMES WOOD, (Aged 30,) SARAH HUTCHINS, (Aged 40,) } BOTH GUILTY, 4s. 10d.

Publicly whipped, and impriſoned 3 months.

Tried by the firſt Middleſex Jury before Mr. RECORDER.

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97. JAMES PERRYMAN was indicted for ſtealing, on the 17th of December, a hand-ſaw, value 2s. the goods of Patrick Murray.

(The priſoner was taken with the property.)

GUILTY. (Aged 49.) *Fined 6d.*

Tried by the firſt Middleſex Jury before Mr. Juſtice WILSON.

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98. CHARLES ROE was indicted for ſtealing, on the 5th of January, two linen cloth coats, value 16s. and various other things, the property of Joſeph Farrow.

(The priſoner was taken with the property.)

GUILTY. *Whipped.*

Tried by the firſt Middleſex Jury before Mr. Juſtice BULLER.

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99. WILLIAM SMITH and WILLIAM MACKENZIE were indicted for feloniouſly ſtealing, on the 19th of December, an hempen ſack, value 2s. the property of Thomas Godſall.

WILLIAM SMITH, NOT GUILTY.

WILLIAM MACKENZIE, GUILTY.

Whipped.

Tried by the firſt Middleſex Jury before Mr. Juſtice WILSON.

100. SAMUEL TAYLOR and JANE TAYLOR, otherwiſe MORGAN, was indicted for the wilful murder of Thomas Partridge, for that he Samuel Taylor, on the 9th of March, did give him a mortal wound on his left breaſt, of the length of one inch, and depth of four inches, whereby he languiſhed from the 9th of March to the 17th of December, at which time he died; and Jane Taylor, for aiding, abetting, encouraging, and aſſiſting in the ſaid murder.

They were alſo charged with the ſame murder upon the Coroner's Inquiſition.

(The caſe opened by Mr. Knowlys.)

SARAH HORTON *ſworn.*

On the 9th of March laſt, I was in company with Thomas Partridge, Eraſmus Gregory was with us; we got to Catharine-wheel alley ſomewhere about 12 o'clock; and as we came down, Samuel Taylor and his wife made uſe of ſeveral ſcandalous expreſſions to Thomas Partridge and me, and damned and blaſted ſeveral times, and many bad expreſſions. When we were got about fifty yards, we turned about to ſee if Gregory were coming, as he was behind us, and he was having words with Taylor. Partridge directly ran back, and I followed him; and by the time I got up with Samuel Partridge, he was down on the ground, and Taylor flat upon Partridge. I did not ſee any blows paſs; Partridge was ſtriving to get up; Jane Taylor was cloſe by; and I heard Jane Taylor ſay, Damn him, ſtab him; and ſhe repeated it ſeven or eight times over as they both of them lay on the ground. As ſhe was crying out, Mr. Pringle, who keeps the public-houſe, and Gregory got Partridge from under Taylor, and then Jane Taylor called the watchman, and gave charge of Eraſmus Gregory; Gregory gave charge of Taylor, and they came down to the bottom of Catherine-wheel-alley together; and the watchman aſked Taylor if he would give charge of Partridge? and he ſays, Damn him, let him go. I did not ſee any thing at all

in the hands of Taylor. I ſaw them all to the watch-houſe door, and then I went back to Thomas Partridge, and I found him with his hands folded, and leaning acroſs the poſt in the ſtreet; I ſaid to him, you had better go home, it is ſo late. O Lord, ſays he, I am a dead man, I cannot walk, my collar-bone is broke; and as he lifted up himſelf from the poſt, he put his hand to his left ſide, and ſaid, O Lord, I am ſtabbed, I am a dead man, I can feel all the blood trickling from my ſide. I perſuaded him to go home where I live, in Eaſt Smithfield; and I unbuttoned his jacket, and the blood flew out all over me entirely, as there was no vent for it before; I ſcraped ſome flue off his hat, and got ſome cobweb to ſtop the blood till morning; and then I ſent for a Doctor, and he ſaid, he was a dead man, and adviſed me to ſend him to the London Infirmary. I ſaw him ſeveral times at the Infirmary; he lived till the 17th of December, about three weeks ago, and then died. He never was like the ſame man afterwards.

ERASMUS GREGORY *ſworn.*

I live in Eaſt Smithfield. I was in company with Thomas Partridge and Sarah Horton at this time. Coming down Catherine-wheel-alley, between 11 and 12 o'clock at night, the two priſoners ſtood at a door, Sarah Horton and the deceaſed was ſome diſtance before me, they kept walking on, and the priſoners abuſing the deceaſed and Sarah Horton; and when I came up, I aſked for what reaſon he had abuſed them people, when he began with the ſame language to me, called me a damned raſcal, and if I did not go along he would give me a punch of the head; with that I turned round, and ſtruck Taylor, and he me again; and Partridge, who was before me, came up to my aſſiſtance, and began fighting with Taylor; they both fell on the ground together; with that the priſoner's wife called to Taylor, Stab him, ſtab him, two or three times. With that, the watchman was called, and I was given charge of, and I gave charge of them, and we went to the watch-houſe.

CHARLES PRINGLE *ſworn.*

I keep the public-houſe in Catherine-wheel-alley, where this unfortunate affair happened. Near twelve o'clock I heard a noiſe, and I went out, and I ſaw the deceaſed laying on the ground, and Taylor on the top of him; and he had this knife in his hand, (Produced) ſhutting it againſt his breaſt. I ſaid to him, Give me that knife, and took it from him, and have had in my poſſeſſion ever ſince. I left them lying on the ground.

ELIZABETH PARKER *ſworn.*

I received ſome cloaths to waſh from Sarah Horton; the jacket has been waſhed, but the ſhirt is in the ſame ſtate it was. (Depoſed to by Sarah Horton as the ſame ſhe took off from the deceaſed.)

WILLIAM BLIZARD *ſworn.*

I am ſurgeon to the London hoſpital. I ſaw the deceaſed in the hoſpital; I found him with a wound on the left ſide between the ſecond and third ribs; it penetrated into the cavity of the breaſt about three quarters of an inch wide; appeared to have been made with a cutting inſtrument. I judged it to be highly dangerous. I believe, after he had been two or three months in the hoſpital, he went into the country for better air, at his poor mother's, by Stamford-hill. He became ſomewhat better, then he relapſed again, and was re-admitted into the hoſpital. He went out again, and I think this was the caſe three times. The laſt return might be about a month before he died; but he never in my judgment recovered from the injury he received; and I am obliged to ſay, that I have no doubt but he died of the wound he firſt received.

Jane Taylor. I ſaw the deceaſed and Samuel Taylor on the ground, and I called out, Watch, and then Eraſmus Gregory gave Taylor ſeveral blows.

Samuel Taylor. I and my wife were going home from Mr. Pringle's, and we had a candle, and a neighbour called me in, and aſked for a bit of candle; I took out my knife, and cut her off a bit, and ſtood

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at the door with my knife open; and juſt at this time the deceaſed and his wife went by arm in arm. The deceaſed ſaid, Cobler, are you going to light your wife home? Says I, mind your own wife. With that Gregory came, and ſtruck me.

The priſoner called four witneſſes to his character.

Both GUILTY of MANSLAUGHTER.

Each impriſoned twelve months, and fined 1s.

Tried by the firſt Middleſex Jury before the Lord CHIEF BARON.

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101. JOHN DOWLAND was indicted for ſtealing two ſhirts, value 8s. and ſome other things, the property of Patrick Sullivan.

GUILTY.

Tranſported for ſeven years.

Tried by the ſecond Middleſex Jury before Mr. Juſtice WILSON.

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102. JOHN SMITH was indicted for ſtealing, on the 17th of December, five cloth jackets, value 42s. the property of James Chadwick.

The priſoner was taken with the property.

GUILTY.

Fined 1s. *and impriſoned ſix months.*

Tried by the ſecond Middleſex Jury before Mr. Juſtice BULLER.

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103. JOHN STEELE was indicted for ſtealing, on the 10th of December, one iron crow, value 5s. the property of Andrew Peachey, and another the property of William Peachey.

GUILTY.

Publicly whipped.

Tried by the ſecond Middleſex Jury before Mr. JUSTICE WILSON.

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104. SARAH SLADE, alias SLAITH, was indicted for ſtealing, on the 21ſt of December, a pair of ſheets, value 10s. the property of Peter Young; and a cloth great coat, the property of Jane Norris.

GUILTY.

Fined 1s. *and impriſoned ſix months.*

Tried by the ſecond Middleſex Jury before the Lord CHIEF BARON.

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105. ELIZABETH CARTER was indicted for ſtealing, on the 16th of December laſt, one iron key, value 1d. a guinea and a half, and 8s. 6d. the property of Thomas Dunn, privily from his perſon.

GUILTY, *but not privily.*

Fined 1s. *and impriſoned ſix months.*

Tried by the ſecond Middleſex Jury before Mr. JUSTICE BULLER.

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106. JOSEPH BRITTAIN and JOHN BAILEY were indicted for ſtealing, on the 20th of December, a wooden firkin, value 3d. and 65lb. weight of butter, the property of Joſeph Grover.

The priſoner Brittain was taken with the property.

JOSEPH BRITTAIN, Guilty.

Tranſported for ſeven years.

JOHN BAILEY, Not Guilty.

Tried by the ſecond Middleſex Jury before Mr. JUSTICE WILSON.

The Trials being ended, the Court proceeded to paſs Sentence, as follows:

Received Sentence of Death, 13, viz.

Bean Edward, alias Brown (laſt Seſſion) 19
Brown Thomas — — 68
Geary Margaret — — 71
Gilfoy Daniel — — 65
Golding John — — 64
Hanſlowe James — — 67
James William — — 58
Mealing John — — 63
Seaton Charles — — 64
Smith Charles — — 66
Walbury Henry William — 66
Wallis William — — 48
Williams Thomas — — 62

To be Tranſported for Seven Years, 22, viz.

Bailey John — — 54
Brittain Joſeph — — 106
Campbell John, James, alias Douglas 91
——— John — — 87
Craggs Thomas — — 49
Dooling John — — 101
Galoney Andrew — — 50
Jarvis Henry — — 93
Lamb William — — 52
Larter Samuel — — 83
Matthews John — — 83
Middleton Valentine — — 84
Norman John — — 58
Norris Thomas — — 53
Read William — — 60
Solomons Simon — — 51
Stevens Francis — — 82
Spurden Robert — — 74
Ward John — — 88
Watkins Thomas — — 80
Watſon Robert — — 92
Willis James — — 54

To be impriſoned Twelve Months, 2, viz.

Samuel Taylor (fined 1s.), Jane Taylor (fined 1s.)

To be impriſoned Six Months, 9, viz.

Gotlieb Williams, Hannah Dailey (fined 1s.), John Smith (fined 1s.), Sarah Slade (fined 1s.), Elizabeth Carter (fined 1s.), Robert Sharp, John Seabrett (fined 1s.), John Clee (fined 1s.), John Stringer.

To be impriſoned Three Months, 6, viz.

Richard Haynes, James Stacey, James Wood, Sarah Hutchins (fined 1s.), Edward Cox, John Studley (fined 1s).

To be impriſoned One Month, 3, viz.

Mary Collins (fined 1s.), Elizabeth Williams (fined 1s.), Ann Riding.

To be Whipped, 13, viz.

Richard Haynes, Gotlieb Williams, George Harris, James Stacey, John Steel, James Wood, Thomas Sturgis, John Le Conte, Charles Roe, William Mackenzie, Robert Sharp, Edward Cox, John Stringer.

The TRIAL of DANIEL DRISSALL was poſtponed to the next Seſſions, which will begin on WEDNESDAY, the 15th of February, at the Seſſions-Houſe, in the Old-Bailey.

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THE

TRIALS AT LARGE,

OF THE

CAPITAL and other CONVICTS,

ON THE

KING's Commiſſion of the Peace, Oyer and Terminer, and Gaol Delivery for the CITY of LONDON, &c.

BEFORE the Right Honourable JOHN HOPKINS, LORD MAYOR of the City of London; the Honourable Sir W. H. ASHURST and Sir NASH GROSE, two of the Juſtices of his Majeſty's Court of King's-Bench; Sir JOHN WILLIAM ROSE, Serjeant at Law, Recorder of the ſaid City; and others his Majeſty's Juſtices of Oyer and Terminer of the City of London, and Juſtices of Gaol Delivery of Newgate, holden for the ſaid City, and County of Middleſex.

London Jury.	*Firſt Middleſex Jury.*	*Second Middleſex Jury.*
William Wynch	William Woolcot	William Jacobs
James Hill	James Thompſon	Joſeph Martin
William Jones	William M'Neal	Thomas Robinſon
John Stonard	William Wilſon	George Brown
Richard Miles*	Jacob Worthy	John Lazingby†
William Prince	William Millar	Robert Leiceſter
George Lilly	Richard Matthews	Chriſtopher Robertſon
Iſaac Legay	Henry Speed	Robert Thorpe
Richard Woodhouſe	Major Slingſby	Thomas Briggs
Robert Milner	John Goodger	William Davis
George Smart	John Love	Richard Williams
James Robertſon.	William Dicks.	George Booth.

* Samuel Galindo ſerved part of the time in the room of Richard Miles, who was ill.

†, John Milburne ſerved part of the time in the room of John Lazingby.

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107. ESTHER JANE HARDY was indicted for feloniouſly ſtealing, on the 4th day of February, ſeven yards of printed cotton, value 14s. the goods of James Somerſet, privily in his ſhop.

WILLIAM HILTON *ſworn.*

I am ſhopman to James Somerſet. On the 4th of February, between ſix and eight o'clock in the evening, Saturday, I was in the ſhop, and a boy who takes out parcels, and

and no one elſe. This woman came into the ſhop, and aſked for half a yard of linen cloth, which is here, and paid for it. After ſhe aſked to look at ſome printed cottons for gowns; I ſhewed her a vaſt number. She then aſked to look at ſeveral other articles, and made as if ſhe meant to purchaſe them, but with no intent to pay for them. She agreed for them, and had them cut off from the pieces. The laſt thing of all ſhe looked at was ſome check for aprons, and I ſhewed her at leaſt twenty pieces; and I was looking for a meaſure, ſhe run immediately quite out of the ſhop. I jumped over the counter, and went after her, not thinking ſhe had got any thing; ſhe had got near one hundred yards, and fell down; I got up to her, and on taking her up, ſhe ſaid ſhe had loſt it; I aſked her what ſhe had loſt, and from under her I took this piece of cotton. She fell down in putting her foot on the pavement; ſhe ſlipped, and on taking her up, this lay under her. It was one of the pieces of the cotton I had cut off for her; all the other things were left behind excepting this that ſhe had agreed for; ſhe did not produce any money except 6d. for the firſt half-yard, and that was before I ſhewed her the cotton. The cotton is James Somerſet's; I can ſwear to it. I laid the things on the counter; ſhe took it from thence; I did not ſee her take it; I did not diſcover it till ſhe was ſix or ſeven yards from the counter; ſhe had looked at it, and I cut it off for her, and it laid under ſeveral other things which I had cut off afterwards. It is worth 14s. I cut her off ſeven yards; it coſt us 17s.

EDWARD TREADWAY *ſworn.*

I am a conſtable. I produce the property; the witneſs marked it when he put it into my hands with Somerſet; it is the ſame I received, and have kept it ever ſince.

Priſoner. I don't know the property.

GUILTY, **Death.** (Aged 22.)

Tried by the firſt Middleſex Jury before Mr. RECORDER.

108. JOHN DOWDELL and GEO. VINNEY, were indicted for making an aſſault, on the king's highway, on Lydia, the wife of Iſaac Barnet, on the 8th of December, and feloniouſly taking from her perſon, and againſt her will, a beaver hat, value 5s. a hat-band, called a tiffany hat-band, value 6d. a hair tete, value 10s. and part of a muſlin cap, called a front, value 2s. the goods of the ſaid Iſaac Barnet.

LYDIA BARNET *ſworn.*

Laſt Wedneſday evening we left Crutched-friars, Judith Alexander and myſelf, two more young ladies, and a young man; when we got into Preſcot-ſtreet, Goodman's fields, this lady's daughter and her nephew ſaid they would walk on before, and three continued behind, Mrs. Alexander and her niece, and myſelf. When we came near Cannon-ſtreet, Ratcliff-highway, I ſaw three men, but I took no notice, having no thought. When we came to Nightingale-lane, which is a coach-ſtanding, Mrs. Alexander's niece's huſband was waiting for us; ſhe aſked me, if her huſband ſhould ſee me home? I declined it; he was on the oppoſite ſide, and then Mrs. Alexander and myſelf proceeded on towards Shadwell, where I live. I ſeeing the men behind me not very far, I ſaid to Mrs. Alexander, in our language, I am certain they were bad men, becauſe they had not left us from the time I firſt ſaw them, but had not ſeen their faces. I ſaid to Mrs. Alexander, in Hebrew, I would wiſh to ſee theſe men walk before us; with that we made a ſtop; they walked on before till they came where there was ſome girls, and they ſtopped; and then we walked on again before them. We ſee a watchman a little way off with a lanthorn on the ſame ſide of the way before us; Mrs. Alexander ſaid, you had better walk till we come to the watch, becauſe I am rather afraid; I ſaid, there is no call to be afraid, we are near now on our own ſpot. I was within forty or fifty yards of my own houſe. I then ſaid to Mrs. Alexander, I ſee my own watchman, which I did not, but I thought that they might then be

be frightened, and walk off. With that one of the men ruſhed through the middle betwixt Mrs. Alexander and me, and made a full ſtop, and faced me, that I had a proper obſervation of his perſon; it was under a lamp, and it was light; I could have ſeen to have picked up a farthing from the ſtreet; I ſaw his face perfectly well; it was the priſoner with his hair on his ſhoulders, (John Dowdell); there were three in company, one ſtood behind Mrs. Alexander, a tall man, not apprehended yet. I am ſure they are the men. Priſoner Dowdell ſays, What, are you frightened? I ſaid, No, fellow, what do you want? They ſaid, they were not thieves. With that he ſnatched my hat, and tete and cap from my head. I cried out, Stop thief! I am robbed! Mrs. Alexander cried out, Watchman! but never a one came to our aſſiſtance. Dowdell took my hat, and threw it the other two, the cap and tete fell in the mud, Mrs. Alexander picked them up. Nobody purſued the men. I ſaw Dowdell go down New Gravel-lane; my fright was ſo great, I did not go after them; the watchmen were cloſe to them, but did not offer to purſue or take them. The priſoners were apprehended on Friday. I had money, but they did not aſk me for any; they did not even aſk for my hat.

JUDITH ALEXANDER *ſworn.*

Me and Mrs. Barnet left Crutched-friars at half paſt eleven o'clock; my daughter-in-law and my nephew went before; when we came to Old Gravel-lane, three men came behind us, Mrs. Barnet ſaid, ſhe was afraid. I was very much alarmed, and cannot ſwear to the priſoners. He puſhed his face towards Mrs. Barnet, and inſtantly ſnatched off her tete, cap and hat; I picked up the wig and the cap. They did not aſk for money, nor ſpeak a bad word.

GEORGE FORRESTER *ſworn.*

I am a headborough of St. Paul's, Shadwell. On Wedneſday night a watchman came to the watch-houſe, and ſaid, Mrs. Barnet, the ſilverſmith's wife, had been robbed; I went from the watch-houſe down New Gravel-lane to look for ſuſpicious perſons; I found none. On Friday night I was at the Unicorn in Old Gravel-lane about twelve o'clock, and found the two priſoners in cuſtody of two ſailors for riotous behaviour. On Monday morning they were examined.

Mrs. Barnet. I ſaw the priſoners on Monday. The Saturday previous I went to the Virginia Planter; as the men came by the window from the watch-houſe, I ſaid, Lord God, there are the men! I ſaid they were the men immediately; I am ſure they are the men.

Priſoner Vinney. I was in the houſe at the time drinking, and ſo was Forreſter.

Forreſter. It is not ſo; if he had been in the houſe, I ſhould have turned him out.

THEOPHILUS BUTCHER *ſworn.*

I am an officer at Shadwell-office. He corroborated Forreſter's teſtimony, and alſo the circumſtance of Mrs. Barnet's ſaying, Lord God! there are the men that robbed me!

John Dowdell. I have been keeping my bed three weeks; I have been ill, and my illneſs is now upon me. I can ſafely ſwear I was not guilty of this robbery. I never was in this young fellow's company.

Forreſter. They are both well acquainted; I have known Dowdell ſome time.

Jury. Vinney being in company, we preſume to be alike guilty?

Court. Certainly ſo.

Jury to Barnet. Are you poſitive to Vinney's perſon?—I am.

Both guilty of ſtealing, but not violently.
(Both aged 19.)

Tried by the firſt Middleſex Jury before Mr. JUSTICE GROSE.

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109. WILLIAM GLASSBY, ROBERT WHITMORE, and WILLIAM PENDALL, were indicted for feloniouſly ſtealing,

ſtealing, on the 4th day of February, thirty fathom of twelve-inch cable, value 50s. the goods and chattels of Thomas Todd.

(The caſe was opened by Mr. Schoen.)

(The witneſſes examined ſeparate.)

JOHN PALMER *ſworn.*

I was ſhip-keeper on board the Nelly; I miſſed a cable on the 4th day of February; at ſix o'clock at night I ſaw it; at eleven it was gone; I ſaw the cable the next day; I ſwear to it by a piece of canvas, by way of ſervice, that I put on it; I know it is my owners property; it was made faſt with ſpun-yarn; the cable we found next day was of the ſame length and quality as that which we loſt; I never ſaw any of the priſoners before.

WILLIAM CLIMBER *ſworn.*

I was on the water on the evening of the 4th of February, about half paſt eight or nine; I ſaw ſome boats coming up; I ſaid to my people, ſhoot up to theſe boats, they ſeem to come up very heavy; as ſoon as they ſaw me, young Mr. Neal took off a ſlip-rope, and the cable went down; the other boat did the ſame; Whitmore and Pendall were in the laſt boat; after they had ſo done, they rowed round and round, and Glaſsby and Neal went aſhore at King's-ſtairs; the other two went away; Glaſsby and Neal were in one boat, and Pendall and Whitmore in the other; the cable is thirty fathom long; they were about the length of the Old-Bailey from the ſhip when I ſaw them; I went aſhore with Neal and Glaſsby, and took their boat and graplings; we uſed their graplings, and recovered this ſaid cable; I took it to my houſe; I went and found out the Nelly on Sunday morning; Maxwell and Young were in the boat with me; it was a moon-light night; I know all the people; Whitmore ſailed in a veſſel of mine; I have no doubt about them.

WILLIAM MAXWELL *ſworn.*

I am a waterman; I can only ſay as Mr. Climber has ſaid.

(This witneſs corroborated Climber's teſtimony in every particular.)

ALEXANDER YOUNG *ſworn.*

I was in the boat with Mr. Climber; I ſaw Neal let go a ſlip-rope, and they went up the river.

(This evidence the ſame as the laſt.)

WILLIAM NEAL (an Accomplice) *ſworn.*

On Saturday night, the 4th of February, I was in company with the three priſoners, and we all agreed to go down the river, to ſee what we could get: we rowed to the ſhip Nelly's bows; we cut the cable with a knife; we then under-run it as cloſe as we could to the anchor, and then we cut it, and made it faſt to a boat's ſtern, and carried it forward to her head, then back to her ſtern; then we towed it away; I hired the boat; Glaſsby was with me in the boat; in the other boat were Whitmore and Pendall; they towed us up, and we gave what help we could: on ſeeing Mr. Climber, we let it go; I let go the ſlip-rope; then we rowed up a little way, and down again; then Mr. Climber rowed up to us, and told us he would ſeize the boat; he told us to get out of the boat; we did ſo, and I went home.

(The ends of the cable produced, and depoſed to by Palmer.)

Priſoner Glaſsby. Neal hired me to go a dredging, for a groat in the ſhilling.

Whitmore and Pendall both ſaid that they did not go to do any robbery.

WILLIAM GLASSBY (Aged 19),
ROBERT WHITMORE (Aged 21),
WILLIAM PENDALL (Aged 20),

ALL THREE GUILTY.

All three tranſported for ſeven years.

Tried by the firſt Middleſex Jury before Mr. Juſtice GROSE.

110. JAMES METCALFE and RICHARD ALFORD were indicted for feloniously ſtealing, on the 20th day of January, two men's hats, value 2s. and two table ſpoons, value 10s. the property of William Dennis; and a ſilver watch, &c. value 20s. the property of Ann Johnſon, ſpinſter.

WILLIAM DENNIS *ſworn.*

I am a grocer; I loſt two hats, and two ſpoons, on the 20th of January; I miſſed them a little after ſix in the evening; every thing has been found but the ſpoons.

ANN JOHNSON *ſworn.*

I am on a viſit at Mr. Dennis's; I miſſed the articles in the indictment from Dennis's parlour; they were there between five and ſix; it is a ſilver watch; they laid on the table; I ſaw the things on Tueſday following, in the conſtable's hands.

——— DENNIS *ſworn.*

I am clerk to my brother; I miſſed my great-coat on the 20th; I ſaw it about three o'clock; on the following Tueſday I ſaw it at the Manſion-houſe.

CHARLES MUNDAY (an Accomplice) *ſworn.*

I am an apprentice to a mathematical-inſtrument-maker; I ſtood at the door.

ROBERT GRAVES *ſworn.*

I am a conſtable: I was out about the 20th of January laſt, in Old-ſtreet; I heard the cry of ſtop thief! I ſaw the priſoner Alford run, and he fell down; I took him into cuſtody, and brought him to the public-houſe; this was a mile and a half from where the robbery was committed; we did not ſearch him then; Alford wiſhed to be admitted King's evidence; he ſaid, if he was admitted evidence, he would tell me all he knew; he delivered me this watch (produced); I found alſo a knife, and two pocket-pieces; Metcalfe was then alſo in cuſtody.

PHILIP JOCELYN *ſworn.*

Between the hours of ſix and ſeven, I and three officers were coming down Old-ſtreet; we ſaw the two priſoners and Munday; Munday had the hats; I laid hold of him.

WILLIAM WRIGHT *ſworn.*

I am an officer; I took hold of Metcalfe; my reaſon for ſtopping him was becauſe I knew him before; I ran after him; he fell down, and I picked him up; I had hold of one arm, and my brother officer had hold of the other; we took him to the watch-houſe, and there he delivered up a watch.

CHARLES MUNDAY *ſworn.*

I was an accomplice; I was to meet theſe two at the Red-lion, Moorfields; I went; and we went out in the afternoon, on purpoſe to do ſome robbery; we went into Thames-ſtreet; between five and ſix, we ſaw a door open; James Metcalfe went up ſtairs, and brought down a great-coat and a hat; he gave them to Richard Alford, and he went to the corner of Trinity-lane; it is near the houſe; Alfred ſtood there, to look out, and I ſtood facing the houſe; and he put the coat on his back, and the hat on his other hat; then Metcalfe went up again into the houſe, and brought down a ſingle hat; he went up a third time, and brought down a pair of ſilver table-ſpoons; I did not know any thing of the watch; he gave them all to Richard Alford; he gave me the two table-ſpoons, but I gave them to Richard Alford; he had all the things: we went up Trinity-lane, and up to Cheapſide; going up, he gave me the two hats, and I put them into my handkerchief; he had the great-coat on his back; he had it taken off his back where I was admitted an evidence, at the Manſion-houſe: we went into Old-ſtreet, and ſold the two table-ſpoons to Mr. Harris; I did not go in, but they two went in, and they told me, when they came out, they had ſold them for 15s. Juſt after they two came out, I was at the ſide where the Dolphin is; they went the other ſide of the way; it was about ſeven o'clock in the evening; we had been about a quarter of an hour from the houſe. (The hats depoſed to.) One has a mark in the inſide.

HUGH

HUGH ANDERSON *ſworn.*

I produce a great-coat I took off from Alford on the 21ſt, the day after the robbery.

(The great-coat depoſed to; and the watch by Miſs Johnſon, by making the chain herſelf.)

James Metcalfe. I am as innocent as a child unborn of what they accuſe me of. I have nothing to ſay.

DOROTHY GIFFORD *ſworn.*

I come for Metcalfe: I am a married woman; my huſband is a carpenter; I have known him from a baby; he always behaved ſober and honeſt.

JAMES METCALFE, NOT GUILTY.

RICHARD ALFORD, (Aged 19,) } GUILTY.

Tried by the London Jury before Mr. RECORDER.

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111. GEORGE HARRIS was indicted for feloniouſly ſtealing, on the 3d day of February, one wooden tea-cheſt, value 3s. the goods of Charles Wright.

CHARLES WRIGHT *ſworn.*

I am a broker of houſehold goods: on the 3d of February, Friday, between five and ſix in the evening, I ſaw the priſoner, I was up ſtairs, upon an alarm; it was then on the table; I ſaw it, when I went up, on the further part of the ſhop, along with ſome others; I have kept the tea-cheſt ever ſince.

WILLIAM WILKINSON *ſworn.*

I am a broker; I live within three or four doors of Mr. Wright; on the evening Mr. Wright mentioned, the man paſſed my door, and I ſaw him paſs on till he had nearly paſſed Mr. Wright's door; he then returned, and I miſſed him; preſently I ſaw him come out of Mr. Wright's ſhop, with ſomething in his hand; he wrapt it in his apron; I went after him, and took him by the back part of his coat, and hauled him into Mr. Wright's ſhop, where Mr. Wright's brother was, and a tea-cheſt fell out of his apron, I think the ſame as now produced, but I did not mark it; Mr. Joſeph Wright took it; I left it in Mr. Joſeph Wright's care, and returned immediately to my own houſe.

JOSEPH WRIGHT *ſworn.*

I ſaw this drop from the priſoner; I marked it J. W. with ink.

(Depoſed to by Charles Wright.)

Priſoner. I never had it in my hand; I was in liquor, and going by the table, and two or three fell down off the table.

Wilkinſon. I am ſure it fell from his apron.

Joſeph Wright. I ſaw him drop it.

Jury. Were there any more on the ground? —No, there were not.

GUILTY. (Aged 19.)

Tried by the London Jury before Mr. RECORDER.

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112. CHARLES WILTSHIRE and JAMES GILLTHORPE were indicted for feloniouſly making an aſſault, on the King's highway, on the 26th of January, on Jenny Rattray, ſpinſter, and putting her in fear, and feloniouſly ſtealing from her perſon, and againſt her will, two pair of calico mitts, value 2s. ſeventy pair of calico mits unmade, value 58s. one ſilk petticoat, value 5s. one ſilk cloak, value 5s. a cloth cloak, value 10s. a muſlin handkerchief, value 12d. a cotton handkerchief, value 12d. a pair of cotton ſtockings, value 12d. a cloth houſewife, value 6d. and three ounces of ſewing ſilk, value 12d. the goods of the ſaid Jenny Rattray.

JENNY RATTRAY *ſworn.*

On the 26th of laſt month, Thurſday evening, three weeks laſt Thurſday, at ſeven o'clock, I was going home; about the middle of the new cut from Ratcliff-highway to Whitechapel,

Whitechapel, three men ſtopped me, and told me I was drunk; I pulled myſelf away from them, and walked rather better than a dozen yards; they came after me again, and demanded the bundle; I refuſed to give it them, but they inſiſted upon it; one of them took my bundle, and another one took my cloak; a third ſtood at my right-hand, and preſented a piſtol, and told me, if I ſpoke a word, he would blow my brains out, and then deſired me to be gone; I have nothing more to ſay.

Did you know their perſons?—I did two out of the three; it was ſtar-light; I had never ſeen them before; there were lamps oppoſite, not on the ſame ſide of the way; I was a good deal alarmed; I ſaw one the next morning, and I ſwore to him at the office; I was ſent for to go there; I knew him directly; it is the furtheſt off, Wiltſhire.

Are you ſure you was ſo much miſtreſs of yourſelf as to obſerve him?—I was; he did not take the bundle; he ſtood with the piſtol at my right-hand, oppoſite; he put the mouth of the piſtol to my cheek, it touched it.

You was very much alarmed?—I was.

Did you ſee the face of the other?—I did; it was Gillthorpe, I am ſure; he took the bundle; he was cloſe to me.

How long did this laſt?—Not above ten minutes; I begged for them not to take my bundle; they ſwore they would have it; I don't know juſtly who it was: after they had taken my bundle, I went into the Roſe and Crown, at the bottom of the road, and gave an alarm that I had been robbed, and deſcribed the men; when ſomebody went to the office, and gave the information immediately, and I went to the office the next morning; they were dreſſed the ſame as on the night before; I had never ſeen them before that night; they took nothing more than the bundle, and the cloaks; they did not offer to ſearch my pockets.

Mr. Garrow, Counſel for Wiltſhire. You have told us very fairly that you had never ſeen the people before; and that you was, as every body in your circumſtances muſt have been, very much alarmed?—I was.

Before you went to the office, you had been appriſed that the officers had taken ſomebody that was ſuſpected?—I was.

Gillthorpe's Counſel. When was it you ſaw Gillthorpe after the robbery?—A fortnight and a day.

You ſaid you had never ſeen the priſoners before; Gillthorpe was not taken up by your deſcription, I believe?—I don't know that.

You ſaw him in cuſtody, but not taken up by your deſcription?—I cannot ſay that.

It was a very dark night, I believe?—Not very dark.

There was no moon?—It was ſtar-light, and there was a lamp oppoſite; I am very ſure they are the men.

You was very much frightened, you have ſaid?—I was not frightened before the piſtol came; but, by being ſtopped twice, I had an opportunity of looking at them more.

PETER MAYNE *ſworn.*

I am an officer at the public-office, Eaſt-Smithfield: the night of this robbery I went to an iron-ſhop, in Back-lane, between eight and nine, and apprehended the priſoner Wiltſhire; he then had a blue jacket on; I ſearched him; there was a horſe-piſtol found inſide his jacket, loaded with ſhot; I found a duplicate of two cloaks, at the ſhop of Mr. Windſor, in the Minories, pledged the ſame night; and in his waiſt-coat-pocket ſome ſhot, a flint, and a head of a pipe; I ſecured them in the watch-houſe that night; I have the duplicate; Bare has got the piſtol.

JOHN BALL *ſworn.*

I am a ſervant to Mr. William Windſor, Minories; I produce a red cloak, and a ſilk one; I took them both in on Thurſday, the 26th of January, about a quarter paſt eight, of Charles Wiltſhire; nobody was with him; I never ſaw him before that night; I am certain he is the man; and the duplicate is my writing, in the name of Charles Williams.

JOSEPH BARE *ſworn.*

I am an *officer*; I was in company with Mr. Mayne; we apprehended Wiltſhire, and

and found the piſtol under his jacket; Mayne found a duplicate.

(The piſtol produced.)

ROBERT DAWSON *ſworn.*

I am headborough; I, in company with Whiteway, apprehended Gillthorpe: I found two pair of mittens in the poſſeſſion of one Hart, who is here.

JACOB HART *ſworn.*

I live in St. Catharine's; I deal in watches and things, and mend watches; I have lived there theſe thirty years; I have five children: a man came to me, he is the priſoner Gillthorpe, and brought me on Friday three weeks laſt, in the morning, and called me by name, Mr. Hart, I have found ſomething, I have picked it up on Tower-hill, ſome mittens; he aſked me eighteen-pence for them; I offered him a ſhilling, and a quartern of gin; I ſold the gloves in Petticoat-lane, to one Levy; I am ſure the mits and handkerchief are the ſame.

Jenny Rattray. This robbery was committed on the 26th, on a Friday, three weeks ago laſt Friday. (A piſtol produced.) This is the kind of piſtol. (Depoſed to the mits.) I know them by my work, and a needle left in one of them.

(Depoſes to the ſilk cloak by the lace, and having made it herſelf.)

(The priſoner Wiltſhire called four witneſſes, who gave him a good character.)

(Priſoner Gillthorpe called three witneſſes, who gave him a good character.)

Court to Mrs. Rattray. How were the priſoners dreſſed?—In a blue jacket Wiltſhire was, and the other as he is now.

CHARLES WILTSHIRE, (Aged 44,) } GUILTY,
JAMES GILLTHORPE, (Aged 21,) } Death.

Tried by the firſt Middleſex Jury before Mr. Juſtice GROSE.

Mr. Sheriff Anderſon ordered the piſtol of Wiltſhire to be delivered to him, to prevent its falling into improper hands; which the runner, Joſeph Bare, with the utmoſt effrontery, refuſed; upon which the Court reprimanded him, and ordered him to deliver it.

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113. JOHN LEWIS, and ROBERT PEARCE, alias ARNOLD, were indicted for burglariouſly and felonioufly breaking and entering the dwelling-houſe of George Baker and Richard Baker, on the 20th of January laſt, and feloniouſly ſtealing therein three pieces of thread lace, value 20l. the goods and chattels of the ſaid George and Richard, and in their dwelling-houſe.

(Mr. Garrow opened the caſe.)

FRANCIS DETERNEAU *ſworn.*

The proſecutor lives in St. Paul's Church-yard: on the 19th of January, about eight o'clock at night, I faſtened all the ſhutters; I was alarmed about four or five in the morning, and when I came down the houſe was broke open.

WILLIAM TULLY *ſworn.*

I am a watchman: I ſaw two men near Meſſrs. Bakers; I was on the South ſide of St. Paul's Church-yard; I went round my beat; I ſaw nobody; I put my light under the table of a Mrs. Hannah Sheppard; I went round my beat again, and ſaw nobody; I turned to my left; I puſhed ſmartly up to the Tobit's-dog, in the corner, where they water the horſes; I ſaw two men ſtanding there; I aſked them what they wanted; I did not know the men; theſe are not the men; they knocked at the door, and aſked for ſome beer; I told them they could not get any; they went away; I went and got my lantern; I got up to Mr. Baker's ſhutters, and found them looſe, next to Mr. Wells's door; I drawed myſelf off, and ſprung my rattle twice round, and I heard the windows *rouſe* open; I ſaw the priſoner Lewis come out; I dropped my lantern, and purſued him; Stannell ſtruck at him; we then purſued him to Pater-noſter-row, and Francis Coles ſtopped him; he ran

about a hundred yards; he had no hat on; we conveyed him to the watch-houſe; Stannell offered him a hat, he aſked the priſoner if it was his hat; he ſaid, yes, it will fit my head.

HENRY STANNELL *ſworn.*

I am a watchman, in St. Paul's Church-yard: I heard a rattle; I ſaw Lewis coming out of Meſſrs. Bakers' window; before I could get acroſs the way, he was running towards me; I made a blow at him, and tried to hit him acroſs the ſhoulder; I found his hat under Meſſrs. Bakers' window; I went into the watch-houſe; I ſaid, friend, is this your hat? he ſaid he believed it would fit his head.

Jury. Did he ſay it was his own?—No.

FRANCIS COLES *ſworn.*

I am a porter at the water-ſide; I had carried a load to Newgate-market, and was returning to bring another; I ſtopped Lewis.

Priſoner Lewis. That evidence before the Lord-Mayor could not then ſwear to me.—I did.

——— HARRINGTON *ſworn.*

I am a patrol: I found twelve pieces of lace on Lewis; and an iron crow was found very near him.

JOSEPH GREEN *ſworn.*

I am a watchman; I was in the watch-houſe; I took a piece of lace out of Lewis's pocket.

JAMES M'GUIRE *ſworn.*

I was conſtable of the night on the night this robbery was committed; I produce what was taken from Lewis; there was nothing found on Pearce.

GEORGE BAKER *ſworn.*

I am in partnerſhip with my brother; I was alarmed between five and ſix in the morning; I jumped up, and ran into my brother's room, and ſaid to him, I fear the houſe is broke open; I went down into the warehouſe, and found a bag packed up; the contents was lace, and worth, perhaps, 100l. there was alſo in the warehouſe a dark lanthorn, and a crow; my windows have folding ſhutters; the hinges were broke, or wrenched off, and they got into the warehouſe by thoſe means. (The lace produced.) The priſoners were both in cuſtody. The lace is our property.

RICHARD BAKER *ſworn.*

Theſe goods are the property of me and my brother.

JAMES MORRIS *ſworn.*

I am a coachman; I came to the ſtand in St. Paul's Church-yard about a quarter before five in the morning; there was another coach waiting, oppoſite Dean's-court; I turned into the rank, firſt coach; I ſaw three or four people by the coach, near the horſes heads; one had a ſailor's jacket; there was a ſignal given, that *Gaby* would not ſtand (if they call me *Gaby*, it is a nick-name); I jumped off the box; I gave the watchman alarm to mind my coach; I was going to breakfaſt; two or three minutes after, coach was called; the ſaloop-woman told me I was called; I drew my horſes down to the curb-ſtone; Mr. Pearce was ready to get into my coach; then he ſaid, coachman, you muſt drive me to Holborn-bars; then I was putting on my box-coat, and he ſaid, coachman, don't go any further than Hatton-garden end; when we came near Shoe-lane, he ſtopped me; and when he got out, he ſaid, coachman, I am going for a midwife; he gave me two ſhillings; I had a ſtrong ſuſpicion of him; I returned to St. Paul's, and ſaw the coach deſcribed before, ſtanding as firſt coach; but it drove off immediately, and I turned in firſt coach again, and ſomebody ſaid, *Gaby* was come back again; and then ſomebody ſaid, we ſhall all be done; then Bob Pearce came from Mr. Baker's window; I deſired Tully to lay hold of Pearce, and I gave charge of Pearce; I went and got ſome coffee; when I went to the watch-houſe, Pearce owned me, he ſaid, here is my coachman; then, ſays I, I will charge you, be-

cauſe

cauſe you ſaid you were going for a midwife; I had catched him: I have been fired at twice in going round St. Paul's Church-yard, and I would give a hundred guineas to be out of this meſs; my life is in danger day and night.

HANNAH SHEPPARD *ſworn.*

I am a ſaloop-woman; I ſit at Mr. Carr's, the corner of St. Paul's Church-yard; I have known the priſoner Pearce three years; I ſaw a gentleman like Mr. Pearce ſtand, with his back towards me, on the pavement; the watchman put his lantern under the table; that was before I ſaw Pearce; I ſtood about two yards from him; he did not ſpeak to any body, but went acroſs the way, round the corner; there were two coaches in the yard; one was at a diſtance, the other was firſt coach, and was Morris's; then ſomebody called, coach! and I called Mr. Morris; the perſon who got in I did not ſee; I believe the man got in on the coach-ſtand: Mr. Baker's houſe is about twelve yards from my ſtand: I ſaw the man run; I ſaw another man croſs the way to Newbery's; while the gentleman was ſtanding by me, he made a cough, or hem! and the other went to him; then one came back; I believe the perſon who went hem! was the priſoner Lewis, that came out of Mr. Baker's window, but I cannot ſwear to him; I believe that Pearce was the man who ſtood by me, I think ſo by his clothes.

Mr. Garrow. Did you never ſay that Pearce was the man who ſtood by you?—I never could ſay ſo poſitively, only by his clothes: I did not ſee any two people walking together: in the watch-houſe he aſked me if I ſaw him walking; I ſaid, yes, Mr. Pearce, I ſaw you juſt now croſs the way, and ſtand before the ſtall; I had no doubt but he was the man who ſtood before my ſtall.

Mr. Knowlys. It was a very dark morning, and the lamps almoſt out?—Yes, Sir.

Did he come up Ludgate-hill?—Yes, Sir.

LUCAS DAVIS *ſworn.*

I am an optician's glaſs-grinder: on the morning of this robbery my wife was in labour; I was in St. Paul's Church-yard, *an' pleaſe your Highneſs*, I was near Mr. Baker's ſhop; I ſaw Pearce, he had a hat on with what they call the *knucklers cock*; I ſaw them go over to the church-rails; I went down Ludgate-hill, and came back again; then I ſaw Pearce and another man ſtanding by Newbery's; one of them ſpoke, I don't know which; I went between them, and walked on as far as Mr. Thompſon's, in London-houſe yard; I went to the Gooſe and Gridiron, and came back again; I walked about the place ſome time, and on turning round I ſaw the priſoner Pearce, and a man in a blue jacket, ſtanding; then I ſaw Freeman, the patrol, and I told the watchman I had ſome ſuſpicions; about ten minutes after, I went down Ludgate-hill, and at the corner of Ave-Maria-lane I ſaw Pearce coming down, and he went over to Creed-lane, and there was a man in a blue jacket; I told the watchman there was one of the men who had been lurking about for ſome time; then they laid hold of Pearce, and as ſoon as they laid hold of him I heard a rattle; I ran towards the Tobit's-dog, and ſaw Lewis run over the way; I am poſitive as to Pearce; I had never ſeen him before; the lamps gave a very good light, the night itſelf was dark; I did not ſpeak to Pearce, or Pearce to me; the firſt time I ſaw him might be five-and-thirty minutes after four in the morning.

THOMAS PURVIS *ſworn.*

I was working from Paul's-wharf to Newgate-market; I am a porter.

(This witneſs was deſired to look at the bar, and Owen and another were ordered to ſtand up; but the witneſs declined ſwearing to either of the priſoners.)

COLIN MENZIE *ſworn.*

I am a watchman: upon the 20th of January I ſaw Pearce and Lewis about a quarter paſt five; I ſaw Pearce oppoſite to Mr. Wilſon's, near the railing; I took notice of Pearce; Freeman and Weir came up together to me in London-houſe-yard; up came Pearce again; I knew him again; we went round

round again towards Newbery's, and to the foot of Ave-Maria-lane; Fitzgerald laid hold on Pearce at the corner; I ſaw Lewis ſecured; I am certain of the man.

RICHARD FITZGERALD *ſworn.*

I was with Menzie; we took Pearce; I went with Davis down towards Ave-Maria-lane; I ſaw Pearce croſs the ſtreet; I ſecured him, and took him to the watch-houſe; an alarm was given, and the other priſoner was taken.

DANIEL BEER *ſworn.*

I am a watchman: I was with Freeman; I ſaw Pearce, and another man cloſe by, in a blue jacket; they were in the Tobit's-dog corner; I am ſure he is the man; I ſaw him a quarter of an hour before Lewis was taken.

——— FREEMAN *ſworn.*

I do not know either of the priſoners.

HENRY WELLS *ſworn.*

My houſe was ſhut up at the time the alarm was given of Meſſrs. Bakers' robbery.

Priſoner Lewis. I do not know any thing of it.

PRISONER PEARCE's DEFENCE.

My Lord, I had been drinking in Newgate-market, and about two o'clock I came with a woman to St. Paul's; ſhe ſaid ſhe would go with me if I would call a coach; I called a coach, and went to Holborn, and from thence to Gough-ſquare; the woman did not go with me, ſo I thought it was as well to go to ſomebody that I knew; when I got to Gough-ſquare, I could not get in; therefore I walked back to Creed-lane, No. 2, a place well known: before the aldermen none of the watchmen could ſwear to me, or even ſay they knew me.

(The Jury withdrew about ten minutes.)

JOHN LEWIS (Aged 28), ROBERT PEARCE, alias ARNOLD (Aged 40), } GUILTY, Death.

Tried by the London Jury before Mr. COMMON SERJEANT.

114. JOHN SIMMONS was indicted for feloniouſly ſtealing, on the 1ſt day of February, one piece of Scotch carpeting, value 39s. the goods of William Slidſtone.

(The witneſſes examined ſeparately, by the priſoner's deſire.)

WILLIAM SLIDSTONE *ſworn.*

I loſt a carpet on the 1ſt of February; the value of it is 39s.

MARY HARVEY *ſworn.*

I am workwoman to Mr. Slidſtone: there were two men together; one came into the ſhop on the 1ſt of February, about eleven o'clock, and took the carpet on his ſhoulder; I ran after him; the man who was on the outſide is the priſoner; he took it of the other; they walked down the ſtreet; he was taken within five doors; the priſoner had the carpet on his ſhoulder when he was taken; I am ſure the priſoner is the perſon.

JOSEPH CHASE *ſworn.*

I was coming along Long-acre, about eleven o'clock, on the 1ſt of February; I ſaw the priſoner running; he fell juſt as he came up to me; I heard Mrs. Harvey call out ſtop thief! I took him by the collar, and took him back to Slidſtone's ſhop; and from thence he was taken before Sir Sampſon Wright.

PRISONER's DEFENCE.

I was going on an errand for my maſter to St. Martin's-lane, and a man tapped me on the ſhoulder and aſked me to carry this carpet to St. Martin's-lane, and ſaid he would give me a ſhilling; and when this gentlewoman cried ſtop thief! the man run away; I was not near the houſe.

(The priſoner called ſix witneſſes, who gave him a very good character.)

GUILTY, (Aged 18.)

Tried by the ſecond Middleſex Jury before Mr. Juſtice ASHURST.

115. HENRY

115. HENRY JACKSON was indicted for feloniouſly ſtealing, on the 25th day of January, five bundles of hogs briſtles, and various other articles, value 15s. the goods of William Morley.

WILLIAM MORLEY *ſworn.*

February the 2d, about half paſt twelve in the day, I called at Mrs. Branch's; Mrs. Branch ſhewed me three bundles of hairs which were offered to her for ſale, and that a woman had brought in the morning; I aſked her why ſhe did not detain her, as ſhe aſked 1s. 6d. for goods worth 3s. 9d. the boy ſervant of Mrs. Branch watched the woman out, and ſaw her join another woman; Jackſon worked for me a year and half; I was led to ſuſpect the priſoner from the hairs being tied with lay-cord, which is uſed in tying up mops; I applied at Bow-ſtreet, but could not obtain a warrant, as I had not miſſed any thing; my foreman went to the houſe the woman was watched to; James Paine and me went up into Jackſon's room, and in the corner of the room I found ſeveral materials relating to our buſineſs, ſuch as hairs, bruſh-tops, and boards, &c. I returned home, and called the priſoner into my room; Jackſon was aſked if he had any materials relating to the bruſh manufactory in his lodging-room; he ſaid he had not; I aſked him if he he had any hairs, perhaps 14 lb. or 28 lb. he ſaid no, he might have about half-a-pound; I ſaid, will you permit me to go to your apartments? he objected; I obſerved, if he had nothing in his room but what was his own, he could have no reaſonable objection; Langdale, myſelf, and Jackſon, then went to his lodgings; when he came there, he ſaid to Mary Garnes, what have you been doing of? I aſked him to open a large cheſt which was in the room; the cheſt was opened; I inveſtigated the articles, and ſome were found that my foreman can ſwear to; then I ſent for a conſtable, and gave the articles to him at the watch-houſe: we ſtamp our initials on hair brooms.

Priſoner. Whether Mr. Morley can ſwear to the hairs?—No.

JAMES PAIN *ſworn.*

I am foreman to Mr. Morley: I went to the priſoner's room with James Willſon and Mrs. Branch's apprentice, it was between ten and eleven o'clock; Mrs. Turnbull told me that Mrs. Garnes had ſent Mrs. Hurſt with ſome of her huſband's briſtles to Mrs. Branch to ſell; I adviſed Mr. Morley to go home to the priſoner; I ſaw in his room ſeveral things belonging to Morley; I ſaw the box opened; the firſt thing I took out was two trumpet hearth ſtocks; I told the priſoner they were his maſter's property; (produces one;) this is my maſter's property; I know them by the make, and the wood; other tradeſmen have the like goods, the ſame pattern. (Produces ſeveral ſmall bundles of hogs briſtles.) When I took them in my hand, I knew them to be Morley's, by their being damaged; and being ſo damaged, they cannot be manufactured by themſelves; on feeling them, they have a clammy, greaſy feel; I ſwear they are Morley's.

Jury. Point the mark out that you can ſwear to theſe briſtles by.—They are nearly effaced, from frequent handling. (Produces a parcel of bruſh boards.) Theſe bruſh boards are Morley's; the trade have not had any timber of this ſort for many months; it is called whole-ends; Primmer, who is in Court, can further identify them. (Produces ſome broom-ſtocks.) Theſe were made by Carr, of Tunbridge; theſe are not manufactured by Morley; therefore have not his mark: I do not ſwear to the wire-board.

Morley. When Jackſon was going to be conveyed from his lodgings, Langdale and Jackſon being on the ſtairs, he begged he might return, and ſpeak to me; they returned, and Jackſon declared the property to be mine; he was not ſtimulated by any promiſe of favour, or by any threat; he ſaid he would give it up to me, if I would not expoſe him to the trade.

ROBERT LANGDALE *ſworn.*

On the evening of the 2d of February, my maſter requeſted me to call Jackſon;

we went into the parlour; the queſtion my maſter put to Jackſon was, What quantity of hairs he had? he ſaid about half-a-pound; he aſked him if he had 28 lb. or 14 lb. or 3 lb. he then ſaid he might have about three quarters of a pound: I urged Mr. Morley's requeſt of ſuffering him (Mr. Morley) to go to his apartment; he at length complied; I looked round the room, and ſaw ſome broom-heads of his own manufacture: I cannot ſwear to any of the goods.

SAMUEL COWER *ſworn.*

This wire-board I made (produces a wire-board and an eight-over horſe-bruſh); I have reaſon to believe it is my make.

WILLIAM PRIMMER *ſworn.*

I know my own work; theſe bruſh-boards are my work; I cannot ſay how long theſe have been made; I have worked for a man on Snow-hill three days only.

PRISONER's DEFENCE.

My Lord, ſo far as this I know, this is not my maſter's property; I have worked for myſelf ſeven years, and bought hair and other articles in the bruſh line; it is impoſſible for any perſon to ſwear to the hair.

RICHARD MORGAN *ſworn.*

I heard the priſoner confeſs that the property was Mr. Morley's, if he would not expoſe him to the trade; Mr. Morley's reply was, that it was out of his power.

WILLIAM HILLIER *ſworn.*

I am a bruſhmaker; I have known the priſoner twelve years; he has worked for me; he bears a good character.

(The priſoner called four other witneſſes, who gave him a good character.)

GUILTY, (Aged 40.)

Tranſported for ſeven years.

Tried by the ſecond Middleſex Jury before Mr. Juſtice GROSE.

116. RICHARD NELSON and JOHN MICHELSFIELD were indicted for feloniouſly ſtealing, on the 13th of February, ſix pieces of ſilver, called crown pieces, value 30s. the property of Michael Wells.

MICHAEL WELLS *ſworn.*

I keep the Ship alehouſe, Turnſtile, Holborn: the 13th of this month my wife went up to our room, and tried to open the door; ſhe called me; I was drawing beer; I came up to her aſſiſtance, up to the chamber; I bid the people look to ſee if any body came out of the window; when I entered my room, my box was broke open, and part of my property was gone; I miſſed ſix crown pieces; I paid ſome money about ſix o'clock, and ſaw the money ſafe; I pulled the door to, and run down; and the people ſaid, this is the man; his name is Nelſon: the conſtable ſearched him, and found ſix crown pieces upon him; I had no particular mark upon them; I do not know the date of them: I think I have ſeen Mr. Nelſon in my houſe, I cannot ſay what day.

WILLIAM ANDERSON *ſworn.*

I was ſtanding under the window of Michael Wells's houſe laſt Monday night, between ſix and ſeven o'clock; the garden-pot fell, and hit my ſhoulder; I looked up, and ſaw Nelſon come out of Wells's window; and he ran along the leads, and opened the window of the next houſe; and Mrs. Purchaſe came out, and ſaid, for God's ſake, give aſſiſtance; there are thieves: then a parcel of men ruſhed into the houſe.

Mr. Knapp. How high is this window? —One pair of ſtairs.

THOMAS BROWN *ſworn.*

I live in Prince's-ſtreet: on Monday evening laſt I heard a noiſe; I looked out, and ſaw a man on the leads, going from Wells's houſe to Purchaſe's, which is the adjoining houſe; he threw up the ſaſh and went in, and ſhut it down again.

THOMAS MARDEN *ſworn.*

I am an officer belonging to St. Giles's pariſh; I was ſent for to take up this man;

Wells

Wells desired me to see if I could find six crown pieces; I searched him, and found on Nelson six crown pieces, one guinea, and two shillings and sixpence; and Michelsfield delivered seven guineas in gold, and twenty-five shillings in silver; I went into Wells's room, and found a watch on the bed; there was a dark lantern, an iron crow, and a tinder-box.

Michael Wells. They got into the room by breaking it open by force: my wife was first up.

JOHN WHETTEN *sworn.*

On Monday, about five o'clock, I was at Wells's house, playing at shuffle-board, up stairs; there were three or four others in the room; this house is at the corner of Turnstile; I had been playing two hours or more; two men came up; the stout prisoner, Nelson, came up; I had seen him before; and after them came two more; one or two joined play; they went up and down stairs several times; seeing them shuffling about in this manner, I bid Richard Houghton go down stairs, for I thought there was no good going on; the landlady came up to the room, and I asked her if she came to see what these men were after; she said, yes; she went down; presently I heard a hue and cry, a terrible noise; I ran down stairs; she said she had been robbed; I ran out of the house, and found they were gone into the next house; I saw him on the stair-case; I caught hold of his leg; I said, you *willin*, I thought you was after some such thing: I saw Michelsfield in the green-shop; I caught hold of him by the collar, and said, you are one; Mrs. Purchase said, don't collar him; I called then for assistance; I said, you know nothing of the matter; there are four in the *mess*; he was searched in the back parlour.

ROBERT THOMPSON *sworn.*

I live near the house; I went out about half past six, and heard that a man had got out of one window into another: Purchase's maid called out, thieves! I went to her assistance; Mrs. Purchase said, these are the men; I called for further assistance, and four persons came; I left them to seize the prisoners, while I guarded the door; we then went to the public-house, and they were searched; I saw Nelson have something in his hand, and it dropped on the floor (produces a phosphorus box); I picked it up; I asked him if it was his, and he said no.

THOMAS GATES *sworn.*

I am a patrol: about six or seven o'clock I was going by Wells's house; I heard there were thieves; I went in, and took them before the magistrate.

WILLIAM BROWN *sworn.*

I can only say what Gates said.

Prisoner Nelson. That is my own property: I played sometimes at the house; I went up, as well as others, to see what was the matter, and somebody said, that is the prisoner.

(The prisoner called three witnesses, who gave him a very good character.)

RICHARD NELSON, GUILTY.

Transported for seven years.

JOHN MICHELSFIELD, NOT GUILTY.

Tried by the second Middlesex Jury before Mr. Justice GROSE.

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117. EDWARD GREENFIED was indicted for feloniously stealing, on the 3d day of February, three great-coats, value 30s. the property of John Turing, Esq;

JOHN MANN *sworn.*

John Turing is unwell; he lost a great-coat on the night of the 2d of February last; the prisoner at the bar came to his house in Sloane-street, Chelsea, with a small basket of fruit, with Colonel Smith's compliments, and begged to know if Mrs. Turing wanted any more of the same kind, as a present; they were oranges; it was Colonel George Smith, he is in the Court now; I being the servant of the house, desired

fired him to come in, and ſhut the door after him; I took the fruit up ſtairs; I rather ſuſpecting the man, ſtopt at the firſt flight of ſtairs, and ſaw the man take four great-coats off the pins, that hung in the hall, and run out with them; when I ſaw that, I came down ſtairs, and gave the alarm, at the door, of ſtop thief! immediately, when he heard that, he dropt the great-coats, and run; I purſued him, and caught him; he was out of my ſight about half a minute.

When you did take him, was you certain he was the man that came in with the oranges?—Yes.

Were theſe great-coats the property of Mr. Turing?—The property of Mr. Turing and his ſons; Mr. Turing's name is John, and his ſons names are John and William.

What is the value of Mr. Turing's coat?—It may be worth 40s.

Priſoner. The gentleman did not apprehend me; I went to ſee a young fellow of the name of George Ildman, and I was ſtanding talking to him in Sloane-ſtreet, and this gentleman came up and took me: I hope, my Lord, you will ſend me for an Eaſt-India ſoldier, as I dare ſay the gentlemen of the Jury will find me guilty.

GUILTY.

Fined 1s. *and leave given to enliſt as an Eaſt-India ſoldier.*

Tried by the firſt Middleſex Jury before Mr. Juſtice ASHURST.

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118. WILLIAM NICKLIN was indicted for feloniouſly ſtealing, on the 14th day of January laſt, two pair of women's leather ſlippers, value 5s. the goods of John Bloomfield.

JOHN BLOOMFIELD *ſworn.*

I keep a houſe, No. 192, High Holborn: on the 14th of January, Saturday, between five and ſix o'clock (we had lighted candles), I heard a ruſtling at the window of the ſhop; I run to my window immediately; I am a ſhoemaker; I miſſed ſome ſlippers; I immediately run out of doors; I looked about to ſee if I could ſee any body; there is a Dutch-clock-maker's ſhop next door, and there are generally people looking at the clocks; I went in amongſt the people, and I ſaw the priſoner at the bar ſtanding there, with his hands behind him; ſeeing him a ſuſpicious perſon, I ſaid he was a thief, and had broke my window; he ſaid he had not; I took him by the collar, and I found two pair of ſlippers and an odd one upon him at that time, women's leather ſlippers; I took him into the ſhop, and ſent for an officer, and gave him in charge; I found a piece of the window broke, and a piece of cartridge paper double put againſt it, and a pair of ſhoes to ſupport it; I did not hear any glaſs breaking, only a ruſtling, as if ſomething was taking out.

Court. Did you examine it very accurately?—I can ſwear that the ſhoes ſtood againſt the paper; the hole had been broke a week before; I had not time to do it otherwiſe than to put the paper againſt it.

Court. Did you miſs exactly the quantity that was taken from the priſoner?—Yes, two pair and an odd one; I marked them J. B. with ink, and gave them to the conſtable; the odd one I left at home.

(Produced and depoſed to.)

Jury. Was the man ſtanding ſtill when you apprehended him?—He was.

Were they in his hands or pockets?—Pockets.

SAMUEL HAMILTON *ſworn.*

I am a conſtable; I produce two pair of women's ſlippers; I received them from a ſervant in livery in the houſe of Bloomfield, and in his preſence; there is J. B. upon them; they were marked in my preſence.

(Depoſed to.)

JOHN BEAMISH *ſworn.*

I attend the public office in Hyde-ſtreet; I went with Hamilton and brought the priſoner

ſoner to the public-houſe, and found this ſlipper (produced) in his pocket; I have kept it ever ſince.

(Depoſed to.)

Court to Proſecutor. I underſtood you that you found two pair and an odd one at the window?—I found two pair, and the other was taken from him juſt afterward.

GUILTY of ſtealing only. (Aged 18.)

Tranſported for ſeven years.

Tried by the firſt Middleſex Jury before Mr. RECORDER.

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119. WILLIAM GILES was indicted for feloniouſly ſtealing, on the 20th day of January, two ſilver table-ſpoons, value 10s. the goods of Robert Fleeming:

And SARAH BURGESS was indicted for receiving one ſilver table-ſpoon, value 1s. knowing it to be ſtolen.

ROBERT FLEEMING *ſworn.*

I am a victualler: I loſt two ſilver table-ſpoons on Friday, the evening of the 20th of January; the boy priſoner lived along with me; I did not ſee him take them; I recovered them on the 23d; Mr. Slack, one of the evidence, came and brought the ſpoons between ſeven and eight in the evening; he brought one; Slack has got it now; the other ſpoon was found at a pawnbroker's, William Goff's: the boy lived with me twice; he firſt lived with me a year, and the laſt time he was with me about a fortnight; he had left me about a year between; I had no character with him, his mother recommended him.

JOSEPH SLACK *ſworn.*

I am a conſtable of Marybone pariſh: on the 23d of January we were attending the Lord Chancellor; afterwards we went into a public-houſe, in Holborn; we called in ſome Jews, to ſell ſome bad ſhillings, and from the pocket of one of them I pulled out this ſpoon (produced); I have kept the ſpoon ever ſince.

THOMAS MAUND *ſworn.*

I am a conſtable of Marybone pariſh; I was preſent, and ſaw the ſpoon taken from the Jew, Aaron Abrahams; it was given to Mr. Slack. (Depoſes to it being the ſame by its creſt being the lion and anchor.)

JOHN MARSH *ſworn.*

I know no more than has been related by the other two.

WILLIAM GOFF *ſworn.*

I produce a table-ſpoon, which I got of Giles, the priſoner at the bar; I ſtopped the ſpoon on Saturday the 21ſt of January laſt, between the hours of five and ſeven in the evening; I had not ſeen him before, but I am ſure he is the man; he was in the ſhop five minutes; when he came in, there was nobody but me and a lad; he gave it the lad; the lad gave it me; I aſked the priſoner how much he wanted; he ſaid, eight ſhillings; I aſked him whom he wanted it for; he ſaid, his mother, her name was Ann Giles; I went in and told my maſter, and I came out and told him to ſend his mother, and kept the ſpoon, and he never came back for it.

AARON ABRAHAMS *ſworn.*

I received the ſpoon of Mrs. Burgeſs; it was of a Monday, about half after twelve; I ſhould know the ſpoon. (Produced.) I had this ſpoon from this woman; *I come tomorrow morrow morning, and ſay, Old clothes!* I ſaw this woman; ſhe aſked me 7s. 6d. for the ſpoon; I gave her 7s. ſhe ſaid ſhe found *him* in the ſtreet.

MARY SUTTLE *ſworn.*

I go out charing, my Lord: Sarah Burgeſs aſked me to carry the priſoner's linen home; I did, and he gave me a cloth, and an old ſpoon in it; he ſaid, tell her I found it, and that ſhe may pawn it, or do what ſhe likes with it.

Maund. After we took the ſpoon from the Jew, we went to No. 10, to ſee whether what the Jew had ſaid was true; ſhe ſaid ſhe knew the Jew; I aſked her if ſhe had ſold the ſpoon to him; ſhe ſaid yes, and that ſhe had received 7s. for it; ſhe told me that the youg man had ſent it for her to ſell; Mr. Fleeming ſaid he had loſt that and one other on the 20th of January.

PRISONER GILES's DEFENCE.

My Lord, I never ſaid any ſuch thing; the woman came to me on Thurſday, and ſaid that ſhe and Mrs. Burgeſs were in great diſtreſs, and I had two ſpoons in my hand; the witneſs ſaid, if I would let her have one of them till tomorrow, ſhe would replace it; I did not let her have it then; ſhe brought my things on the Sunday morning.

(Called ſeven witneſſes, who gave him a very good character.)

Priſoner Burgeſs. My Lord, he ſays very falſe.

(Called ſix witneſſes, who gave her a good character.)

WILLIAM GILES, (Aged 16,) } GUILTY.

SARAH BURGESS, NOT GUILTY.

Tried by the firſt Middleſex Jury before Mr. RECORDER.

(The Jury recommended Giles; and the Proſecutor ſaid he would take him into his ſervice, if delivered to him; he was then fined 1s. and delivered.)

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120. ANDREW BURKE was indicted for feloniouſly ſtealing, on the 13th day of February, 47 lb. weight of lead, value 3s. the goods of William Allowley.

WILLIAM ALLOWLEY *ſworn.*

I loſt ſome lead within a week; I have loſt a great deal.

JOHN WATMAN *ſworn.*

The 8th day of this month, it was Wedneſday was ſe'nnight, the duſt came in upon the beaſts; I looked up, and ſaw the lead was taken off; then I got up, and miſſed it.

HUGH O'DONNEL *ſworn.*

I am patrol of St. Giles's: on Thurſday the 9th inſtant, my partner, John Brown, and I were ſtanding in Tottenham-court; we ſaw the priſoner; he croſſed the way, and we thought he had ſomething about him that was ſtolen; we followed him to an old-iron ſhop; he put down a bag, in which there was lead; I ſearched him, and found more lead in his pocket; I delivered the lead to Brown.

(Produces it.)

JOHN BROWN *ſworn.*

I received this lead from O'Donnel; I tried it, and fitted it; I returned the ſame lead to O'Donnel.

Allowley. I cannot ſay that this is my lead; I have loſt a large quantity.

Watman. I have compared it to the place; I ſaw the patrol do it; this lead will cover a part of the place; every part matched; Brown and I fitted it on; the nail-holes matched.

Brown. I carried the lead to the premiſes; it fitted as far as it went.

Priſoner. I found the lead in a bag.

GUILTY.

Tranſported for ſeven years.

Tried by the firſt Middleſex Jury before Mr. RECORDER.

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121. GEORGE ABRAHAMS, alias JONES, alias COX, and SARAH PATTEN, were indicted for feloniouſly ſtealing, on the 8th day of February, one gown and petticoat, value 5s. the goods of Margaret Gill; and one muſlin apron, value 1s. the goods of Mary Turner.

MARGARET GILL *ſworn.*

The things mentioned in the indictment were hanging up to dry in an adjoining room;

room; the priſoners are both ſtrangers; the door was locked; I went in about half an hour, and the things were gone; it was between twelve and one o'clock in the day; when I went to unlock the door, I found it unlocked; I have got the things back; I advertiſed; I went to Litchfield-ſtreet, and ſaw them there.

MARY TURNER *ſworn.*

I loſt a muſlin apron.

CHARLES PHILPOT *ſworn.*

On Thurſday the 2d, I was going along Brownlow-ſtreet; I ſaw the priſoner in company with another, and two women; I ſuſpected they had robbed my neighbour; I followed them to Bowl-yard, St. Giles's; the priſoner went into a houſe, No. 7; the man priſoner came out, and conducted the women in; I went and fetched Peters, and the priſoner came out firſt; I catched hold of him; I caught hold of this woman, and ſhe had a bundle in her left-hand; the man at the bar was cutting away at Mr. Aſhfield; this caught my attention; the bundle contained a gown and petticoat, and white apron; I did not ſee the bundle dropped; I ſaw it afterwards at the office; I am ſure it is the ſame bundle I ſaw in the ſtreet; I ſtopped the woman, and afterwards carried her to Short's-gardens; there he was ſurrounded by thirty or forty people, I mean Aſhfield.

Priſoner Abrahams. Whether I had any company when you ſaw me go through Bowl-yard?—I am ſure he is the man who firſt came out of the houſe.

WILLIAM ASHFIELD *ſworn.*

I am a boot-maker; I was called to Bowl-yard, and ſaw the two priſoners, and two others, in the ſhop; they came out nearly together; I got hold of Abrahams; he twiſted himſelf away; I got him again; he drew a knife, and I was cut, but I do not chuſe to ſwear that the priſoner cut me; it was with great difficulty I could get him to the juſtice's; I ſearched him, and found a long pair of ſciſſars in his pocket.

JOHN PETERS *ſworn.*

I keep a coal-ſhed; I ſaw that man take them, and that is all I know.

RICHARD HARFORD *ſworn.*

I took Sarah Patten in charge.

(Margaret Gill depoſes to the things produced.)

(Mary Turner depoſes to the apron.)

Priſoner Abrahams. I have nothing to ſay in my defence; there was nothing found on me.

Priſoner Patten. I was going into an iron-ſhop to buy a padlock, and this man aſked me what I had got in my apron; I ſaid, nothing; and he immediately took me to the office, and ſaid I was in company.

GEORGE ABRAHAMS, (Aged 19,) SARAH PATTEN, (Aged 18,) } BOTH GUILTY.

ABRAHAMS *tranſported for ſeven years.*

PATTEN *fined* 1s. *and impriſoned* 12 *months.*

Tried by the firſt Middleſex Jury before Mr. RECORDER.

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122. WILLIAM DUFF was indicted for feloniouſly ſtealing, on the 23d day of January, one Cheſhire cheeſe, value one guinea, the property of Charles Quin.

CHARLES QUIN *ſworn.*

I am a cheeſemonger: I had been out on the 23d of January, Monday, between the hours of ſeven and eight in the evening; and I came home, and ſaw the priſoner and two others walking by the door; I had ſome empty tubs I took in, and left out ſome ſmall ones of no value; I thought the intention was to take theſe tubs; I ſhut the door, and went into my parlour, to ſpeak to a neighbour; I ſaw the priſoner come into the ſhop; he took hold of the cheeſe neareſt to the ſhop, and he turned himſelf round, and gave it to another man, who ſtood

ſtood without the door; he went out, and pulled the door to after him; I went after him, and had hold of one handle of the door, and he had the other; I opened the door, and purſued him; he run into Clipſtone-ſtreet, which is about forty yards, where he made a full ſtop, and walked back rather towards me; I was in the middle of the ſtreet; I croſſed, and took hold of him by the collar; he aſked what I wanted; I told him he had ſtole a cheeſe, and muſt go back with me; at that time he was rather reſolute; but another perſon coming up, I took him to Litchfield-ſtreet.

JAMES TIFFANY *ſworn.*

After I had done on the 23d of January, between ſeven and eight o'clock, I ſaw the priſoner at the bar go into Mr. Quin's ſhop, and take a cheeſe; I was on the other ſide of the way; the ſtreet is forty feet wide; I ſaw him give it to another man; I was in the dark, and the priſoner was in the light, ſo I am ſure; the other man ſtood within a yard, he was dreſſed in a dark blue coat, or a black; the other man took the cheeſe; they both ran towards the corner; I ran over the way to Mr. Quin, and I met him at the door; I ran acroſs the way, and ſhewed him which was the man; he knew which was the man; he ran over and took him, and carried him to Litchfield-ſtreet.

Priſoner. This boy ſwore that he ſaw me go acroſs the ſtreet with the cheeſe.

Tiffany. I did not; I ſwore I ſaw him give the cheeſe to a man in a black or dark-blue coat.

EDWARD HALL *ſworn.*

On the 23d of January, between the hours of ſeven and eight, I ſaw the priſoner and another man ſtanding at Mr. Quin's door, and another man about two yards from the door; this priſoner had his hand againſt the door; being a neighbour of Mr. Quin's, I made a ſtop; he ſeeing that, ſhoved the door on one ſide, and I ſaw Mr. Quin ſtanding between the parlour and the ſhop, and I thought the priſoner was going to ſpeak to him; I was going but two doors further; I went in there; in about two minutes time I heard that Mr. Quin had loſt a Cheſhire cheeſe; I was on the ſame ſide of the way, cloſe to the priſoner; and when he ſaw me look at him, he put his head aſide; I laid hold of him along with Mr. Quin, and took him to the office; I am ſure he is the man.

Priſoner. Had I this coat on at the time? —He had on a blue coat with white buttons.

Court. Were there any lights in Mr. Quin's ſhop?—Yes, a patent lamp.

(The priſoner called three witneſſes, who gave him a good character.)

GUILTY. (Aged 21.)

Tranſported for ſeven years.

Tried by the ſecond Middleſex Jury before Mr. Juſtice GROSE.

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123. JAMES PEARSON was indicted for feloniouſly ſtealing, on the 24th day of January laſt, 14 lb. of ſugar, value 12s. the goods of James M'Lellan.

JAMES M'LELLAN *ſworn.*

On Tueſday, the 24th of January, at eight o'clock in the evening, the priſoner and the ſugar were brought to me.

THOMAS CLARE *ſworn.*

I am a plumber: coming from work, about eight, I ſaw the priſoner and two boys ſtanding at M'Lellan's door; I ſuſpected them, and ſaw the priſoner go in and take this loaf of ſugar off the counter; he put it under his coat, and his hand over it; I followed him and took it from him, and he knocked me down and ſtamped on my breaſt; I cried out for aſſiſtance, which came; I carried the ſugar and priſoner to M'Lellan's houſe; he would not believe, at that time, that he had loſt any.

(Sugar produced, and depoſed to by M'Lellan.)—I miſſed the ſugar; there is 14 lb. and a croſs on the bottom.

Priſoner.

Priſoner. I have nothing to ſay for myſelf.

GUILTY. (Aged 22.)

In conſequence of his treating Clare ill, he was ordered to be

Tranſported for ſeven years.

Tried by the firſt Middleſex Jury before Mr. RECORDER.

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124. THOMAS WILSON was again indicted for feloniouſly ſtealing, on the 30th of January, a cloth great coat, value 2s. 6d. the property of John Proſſer.

JOHN PROSSER *ſworn.*

I am a waiter at the Thatched Houſe Tavern; I loſt a great coat on Sunday, I miſſed it about a quarter before one in the morning.

ROBERT DYKE *ſworn.*

I ſaw the priſoner coming down ſtairs on the 30th of January, between the hours of twelve and one.

JOHN HOPKINS *ſworn.*

I ſaw the priſoner ſtanding in the ſtreet, with a drab coloured coat under his arm; I went up to him and ſaid, I believe you are the gentleman I want to ſpeak with; he ran away; my ſuſpicion was grounded on his having a great coat under his arm, and one on his back, and he ran away; I have kept this coat ever ſince.

(Produces the coat.)

JOHN MILLER *ſworn.*

I know nothing of this coat, Proſſer owned it.

Proſſer. This is my coat, I will ſwear to it by the buttons being broke; I have no doubt at all of its being my coat.

PRISONER's DEFENCE.

I know nothing at all about the matter.

GUILTY.

Tranſported for ſeven years.

Tried by the firſt Middleſex Jury before Mr. RECORDER.

125. WILLIAM BAKER, and ELIZABETH his wife, were indicted, for burglarioufly and feloniouſly breaking and entering the dwelling-houſe of Edward Aſhley, about the hour of five in the day time, on the 18th of January, no perſon being therein, and feloniouſly ſtealing therein one hundred and five pounds, and various other articles, the goods of Edward Aſhley.

(The caſe opened by Mr. Garrow.)

MARY ASHLEY *ſworn.*

I live at No. 6, Vinegar-yard, St. Giles's, my huſband is a ſervant to Mr. Kirkman; the priſoners lodged in my parlour, Mrs. Baker told me he was an exciſeman, we were not intimate. On Saturday preceding the 18th of January, my brother in law called upon me; there were ſome people in my room, ſo that I could not talk to him; when he went down I followed him, I told him in the paſſage we had got ſome money, and begged him to come in the middle of the week to place out the money with Mr. Kirkman; when he was gone, Mrs. Baker came out and ſaid, is that your brother? I ſaid yes; ſhe ſaid, he is a pretty man; ſhe then ſaid, I find you have got money. On Monday I was going out to buy potatoes, Mrs. Baker ſaid, where are you going? I ſaid only to buy ſome potatoes: ſhe ſaid, if you leave that girl at home, you will repent every vein in your heart; I told her I had no ſuſpicion of the girl; but if ſhe had, to go up ſtairs, and wait till my return: ſhe ſaid ſhe would go up and make a pretence to borrow the rolling-pin. On the ſame day ſhe wanted me to go with her and buy a pair of pattens; I refuſed; ſhe then wanted me to go and buy a patch for a gown; I refuſed. The ſame day, about two o'clock, ſhe wanted me to go to Cranbourn-alley, to ſee ſome of the Dutcheſs of York's bonnet's; I ſaid, I will not go: ſhe then preſſed me to go to ſee the King and Queen going to court; ſtill I refuſed. On Tueſday I was going to waſhing, and ſhe ſaid, I had better go out, the air would do me good; I

ſaid I would not. On Wedneſday ſhe came up and lighted a candle, and aſked me if I would go and ſee the King go to Court; I refuſed; ſhe aſked me whether I was going to market; I ſaid yes: ſhe ſaid if you leave Nanny in the houſe, you may take my word you will be robbed: I aſked the girl to go to market: ſhe ſaid ſhe would; then ſhe ſaid, if Nanny and me went to market, ſhe would boil the kettle againſt our coming back; I ſaid, I will drink tea before I go; I did ſo, and ſhe went to market with me and the girl; after we had got about five yards from the houſe, Mrs. Baker ſaid, Nanny, have you ſhut the door, go back and ſee if it is ſafe? ſhe did ſo, and joined us again; when I went out, I did not know of any perſon being in the houſe; there were four men lodged in the back-room, I ſhut that room window about a minute before I went out, there was not any body in that room; we went to Lombard-court, ſhe wanted me to go into a linen-draper's ſhop to look at ſome ſhawls; I ſaid no, I did not want any; then ſhe ſaid, Mrs. Aſhley, this is the firſt time I have been out with you, what will you drink? I ſaid nothing, it will make me ſick; we were gone about an hour; when I got home I ſaw the lid of the cheſt open in which we kept our money, open and propped up by the lid of the till; it was broke open; the girl was at home about two minutes before me, not more; ſhe ſaid to Hunt ſhe is ruined; I heard that before I got up ſtairs, the pen-caſe was kept in the till, and the ſeveral articles mentioned in the indictment, the drawers had all been broken open, and the things thrown about; the watch hung over the mantle-piece, the lock was broke open, and it is an extraordinary good one; I was very much alarmed, and I went into fits. On Thurſday morning Baker and his wife were taken up, I went down into their apartment, I ſaw Mr. De la Fontaine pick up this pen-caſe, it was on the floor under the bed; Mrs. Baker ſaid, Mrs. Aſhley has put that there; I left two receipts for rent in the till, that I ſwear, theſe receipts were found in the room, but not by me; they were picked up by the conſtable.

Mr. Knowlys, Priſoner's Counſel. You ſay you have always been upon friendly terms?—Yes.

When you parted from Mrs. Baker, did you go home as ſoon as you could?—I did.

You left the door on the latch?—Yes.

Night and day?—Yes.

The watchman uſed to call your huſband? Sometimes.

Did John Venner lodge at your houſe?—Yes.

Is he a man to be credited?—Yes, certainly; he lodged with me a twelvemonth.

Did you go into Baker's apartment on your return on Wedneſday night?—I did not.

What time did he go out in the morning?—I believe between ten and eleven.

When Baker went out in the morning, did not you puſh up your window?—No, I did not.

I think Nanny ſaw the pen-caſe in the morning?—Yes.

Nanny was never permitted to go into this back-room?—She is I believe very honeſt.

ANN GRIFFITHS *ſworn.*

I am a ſervant out of place, I have known Mrs. Aſhley about two years and a half; on the Queen's birth-day Mrs. Baker came up ſtairs, and wanted to light her candle, ſhe aſked Mrs. Aſhley to go with her to buy pattens; Mrs. Aſhley ſaid ſhe could not go before dinner; in about half an hour ſhe came up again, and aſked Mrs. Aſhley to go with her to buy a patch for a gown, which ſhe had ſeen that day, for twenty-five ſhillings; ſhe refuſed going; then ſhe wanted her to go to Cranbourn-alley to ſee the Dutcheſs of York's pattern bonnets; ſtill Mrs. Aſhley refuſed; then ſhe aſked her to go and ſee the Dutcheſs of York, and the King and Queen go to St. James's; this was alſo refuſed by Mrs. Aſhley. No body was left in Mrs. Aſhley's apartments; when I got a little way from the houſe, Mrs. Baker ſaid, have you ſhut the door? I went back and found it faſt; when we went out I left the door of Aſhley's room double locked, and when I returned I found it only ſingle locked,

locked; I ſaw the cheſt broke open; I ſhrieked out, and Hunt, the publican, ran into the houſe; Mrs. Aſhley came home in about two minutes after I had got home: when Mrs. Baker came home, Mrs. Aſhley ſaid, are you not a baſe woman to take me out, and let your gang rob me? I was in the front room when the officers ſearched; one of them took up a bonnet, and under it he found two papers with Aſhley's name on them: I cried out, Oh, Lord!

Mr. Knapp. Do you recollect at what time Baker came home on Wedneſday?—About half paſt eleven.

Every body muſt have heard of this robbery?—I don't know.

What time did he return on Thurſday?—About two o'clock.

JOHN DE LA FONTAINE *ſworn.*

I went on Thurſday the 19th of January and ſearched the apartments of Baker: under the bed, which lay on the floor, I found this pen-caſe (produced); it muſt have been placed under the bed, it could not have fallen there by accident; Mrs. Aſhley immediately ſcreamed out, and ſaid it was her property: I ſearched the huſband when he came home, and found nothing on him but half-a-guinea, and three or four ſhillings; I returned that to him: on his re-examination, I was at the Brown Bear, Bow-ſtreet, and in the ſame room with the priſoner; I pretended to go to ſleep, and drew my breath hard, to induce them to think I was aſleep; I heard Baker ſay, *What a fool you are, having a whole night to take care of the things, to have theſe things found in your poſſeſſion; I had ſooner the whole bulk of money had been found in my hands, going out with it, than that thoſe things ſhould be found in your poſſeſſion*; this was ſaid in a low tone of voice.

Mr. Knowlys. Having heard this, did you ſtate it before the magiſtrate?—I did.

Did you ſign your examination?—I believe not.

Who was the magiſtrate?—Mr. Addington.

So much for memory: pray did you ſee me there?—I do not know.

What day of the week was it that he was re-examined; upon your oath, have you never told any body, before he was fully committed, of this converſation?—Never.

You never told Mr. Briant ſo?—No.

What day of the week was it that he was re-examined?—I think it was on a Thurſday.

What time of day was it they were re-examined?—I believe it was between ſeven and eight.

Mr. Garrow. Was the firſt examination in the forenoon?—Yes.

Mr. Briant came to the Brown Bear, as ſolicitor on the part of the priſoner?—Yes.

Court. How long have you been at Bow-ſtreet?—Twelve months.

Do you know of any reward in this caſe?—I do not; I made inquiry of Mr. Groves, and he ſaid he did not think there was any in this caſe.

ROBERT BERRESFORD *ſworn.*

I went with De la Fontaine; I ſearched, and found behind a table, under a bonnet, theſe two receipts (produces them); I ſaid to De la Fontaine, I will go over to the public-houſe, and watch the huſband's coming in; Mrs. Baker ſaid, that *young huſſy* threw them there, on purpoſe to ſwear her her life away.

(The pen-caſe and ſundries depoſed to by the proſecutrix.)

PETER JACOBS *ſworn.*

I am a ſervant to Newport, at New-Priſon: about a quarter before eleven at night, Baker and another were put into a coach to be conveyed to New-Priſon; I had two others, handcuffed, in the houſe; while I turned round to call them, Baker got out of the coach; I took him again; when I ſeized him, I ſaid, D—n you, what do you ſerve me ſo for? He replied, Would not a man who is afraid of being hung be glad to make his eſcape? When we had got to Clerkenwell-green, he ſaid, D—n you, what

a *flat*

a *flat* you are; you will only get 40l. by me, I don't mind 50l. or 60l.; I ſaid, I have nothing to ſay to you, but to take you to gaol: the priſoner was only examined twice.

WILLIAM HUNT *ſworn.*

I am a publican; I was getting my pots in, and heard the girl ſcream out, and ſhe ſaid Mrs. Aſhley is ruined; I went into the houſe, and ſaw the box had been forced open; Mrs. Aſhley came in in about five minutes: the ſtreet-door is generally left on the latch.

GEORGE DURHAM *ſworn.*

I wrote theſe receipts; Aſhley is my tenant.

Priſoner Baker. I leave it to my counſel.

Mr. BRIANT *ſworn.*

I am ſolicitor for the priſoner: on the Thurſday after the Queen's birth-day, the priſoners were examined, between ſix and ſeven, I think; the following evening, Friday, I was ſitting, in a family manner, in Mrs. Merryfield's bar; De la Fontaine came in, and the converſation turned upon Baker; he then ſaid he had heard Baker ſpeak to his wife; this was the day after the firſt examination; he ſaid that he would not do the priſoner any harm, for that he would not reveal it.

JOHN VENNALL *ſworn.*

I lodged at Aſhley's houſe at the time of the robbery; I ſaw a man at Baker's door; I thought he was an acquaintance; he was a middle-ſized man; he had a green upper-coat on; I told this to Mrs. Aſhley: I cannot ſay whether the priſoner is or is not the perſon I ſaw.

Jury to Mrs. Aſhley. Did you ever ſee the priſoner in a green coat?—Frequently.

The Jury retired about a quarter of an hour.

WILLIAM BAKER, (Aged 23,) } GUILTY, Death.

ELIZABETH BAKER, NOT GUILTY.

Tried by the firſt Middleſex Jury before Mr. COMMON SERJEANT.

126. THOMAS BARTON was indicted for feloniouſly ſtealing, on the 23d day of January, three wooden inlaid tea-caddies, value 15s. a linen ſhirt, a pair of ſilk ſtockings, &c. value 20s. the goods of Thomas Meymott.

THOMAS MEYMOTT *ſworn.*

I live in Moorfields; I am a broker: I miſſed the articles on the 23d of January; they were in my back-room, in a book-caſe; I have not ſeen them ſince Chriſtmas: I went to the pawnbrokers in the neighbourhood; I went to Mr. Davis's, the corner of Widegate-alley; I found one oval tea-caddy, pawned in the name of Barton: I went to Clarke's, and found an octagon one, pledged in the ſame name; I then apprehended the priſoner; he was my hair-dreſſer; he confeſſed; there was nothing ſaid to induce him to confeſs: when it was diſcovered, he ſaid he had taken a ſingle one, and hoped we would look over it; when I informed him that I knew more of it, he confeſſed a ſecond, and then a third: the priſoner had acceſs to my kitchen, which is up ſtairs: we were directed by the priſoner to go to Mr. Clinker's, and there we found another; and at Purſe's we found ſtockings and a ſhirt: he is a journeyman; he confeſſed taking the things out of the book-caſe.

RICHARD SHARE *ſworn.*

I am ſervant to Mr. John Davis, a pawnbroker: on the 24th of December, the priſoner at the bar brought this caddy; I lent him 2s. he ſaid his name was Barton, and that he lived in Old Bethlehem; I am ſure he is the man.

EDWARD SPENCER *ſworn.*

On the 5th of December laſt I took this caddy in of Thomas Barton; I lent him 2s. 6d. he ſaid he lived in Old Bethlehem: on the 31ſt of December I took in a pair of ſilk ſtockings; I lent him 2s. 6d.: a ſhirt pledged on the 4th of January, I did not receive it.

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WILLIAM WAKEFIELD *ſworn.*

I am a ſervant to Alexander Purſe, at London-wall: I produce a pair of ſilk ſtockings, pledged in the name of Thomas Barton, on the 12th of December; a pair of worſted ditto, 1s. 17th of December; a ſhirt in Novemb r.

——— CLINKER *ſworn.*

The priſoner pledged this caddy on the 10th of December.

THOMAS ATWELL *ſworn.*

I am a conſtable: I ſearched the priſoner, and found theſe duplicates.

(Meymott depoſes to the property.)

PRISONER's DEFENCE.

Mr. Meymott ſent for me to my lodgings, and told me he could be of ſervice to me, and then ſaid he muſt have a warrant to ſearch my lodgings; I told him he need not be at the trouble; I gave him my key, and they found the duplicates; I bought the caddies of various people that hawk them about Moorfields.

(The priſoner called three witneſſes, who gave him a very good character.)

GUILTY, (Aged 29.)

Tranſported for ſeven years.

Tried by the London Jury before Mr. COMMON SERJEANT.

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127. PETER MILLAR was indicted for feloniouſly ſtealing, on the 20th day of January, a linen ſhirt, value 8s. the goods of Suſannah Spiller.

SUSANNAH SPILLER *ſworn.*

I am a widow; I loſt a ſhirt on Friday the 20th of January; I hung out ſeveral ſhirts between eleven and twelve; I ſaw they were all there; I miſſed one ſhirt between three and four; I ſuſpected Peter Millar; the conſtable found the ſhirt; he ſaid he meant to bring it to me on the morrow morning; it was tucked in between the lath and plaſter, in his bed-room; the conſtable took it out; I was preſent; I ſaid, that is my ſhirt, it is marked with two F's; I am a waſherwoman; the conſtable has had it from that time to this.

THOMAS PERKINS *ſworn.*

(Produces the ſhirt.) I took it from the boy's room.

PRISONER's DEFENCE.

Pleaſe you, my Lord, I met a man in Hampſtead, and he aſked me if there was a pawnbroker's in the town; I ſaid, no; he ſaid, I have got a ſhirt to ſell for 2s.; he aſked me to buy it; I ſaid, I would aſk the coachman; I took it to the coachman, and he ſaid he would lend me 2s. to buy it for myſelf, as he did not want any thing of the kind.

GUILTY. *Whipped.*

Tried by the ſecond Middleſex Jury before Mr. RECORDER.

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128. THOMAS PRICE was indicted for ſtealing, on the 26th day of January, a pewter quart pot, value 10d. and a pewter pint pot, value 6d. the goods of Patrick Corcoran.

PATRICK CORCORAN *ſworn.*

I am a victualler; I keep the ſign of the Active and Hermione, the corner of Compton-ſtreet.

SARAH BRYANT *ſworn.*

I go to work; I was coming down ſtairs; I met this man going up ſtairs, at Mr. Willcox's, in Grafton-ſtreet; I aſked him who he wanted; he put the pot down; I ſhut the door; I lodge in that houſe; I called Mrs. Willcox; then ſhe ſent for a publican; he came; this pot, that he dropped, the man at the Falcon picked up; I have had it ever ſince.

BRIANT TAYLOR *ſworn.*

I produce a pint pot; I was at Bramwell's; he and I went over together; I took

the priſoner, and ſearched him, and found this pint pot upon him.

Corcoran. My houſe is not a quarter of a mile from Grafton-ſtreet; I live at the corner of Prince's-ſtreet: I have loſt a vaſt number of pots.

GUILTY, (Aged 59.) *Whipped.*

Tried by the ſecond Middleſex Jury before Mr. RECORDER.

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129. THOMAS WYATT was indicted for feloniouſly ſtealing, on the 16th day of February, a mahogany table, value 12s. the goods of John Merryman.

JOHN MERRYMAN *ſworn.*

I am a broker: I loſt a table laſt Thurſday; I miſſed it between four and five; I purſued the priſoner, and found the table on his ſhoulder; I have the table here (produced); it is my table; he put it down, and run away; I never loſt ſight of him after.

Joſeph Onion, a little boy twelve years old.

Court. Do you know what will become of you, if you tell a lie?—I ſhall go into brimſtone and fire.

JOSEPH ONION *ſworn.*

I ſaw that man walking before Mr. Merryman's door, and I told Mr. Merryman's daughter that he had taken a table away.

SOLOMON SHEPHERD *ſworn.*

I am a conſtable: I ſaw the proſecutor lay hold of the priſoner's collar, and I took him into cuſtody.

PRISONER's DEFENCE.

I was coming along, and there was a mob; I aſked what was the matter, and they took me; I am as innocent as the child unborn.

GUILTY, (Aged 49.) *Whipped.*

Tried by the ſecond Middleſex Jury before Mr. RECORDER.

130. SARAH PEARCE was indicted for ſtealing, on the 19th day of January, the carcaſe of a gooſe, value 4s. the goods of Joſeph Nicholls.

JOSEPH NICHOLLS *ſworn.*

I am a poulterer; I am a houſekeeper, in Shadwell High-ſtreet; it was on the 19th of January, between the hours of three and four in the day; it was not ſtubbed; I ſaw her take it; I went after her; ſhe was four or five doors off; I deſired her to come back to the ſhop; there ſhe threw it down; ſhe was deſired to aſk pardon; ſhe ſaid, there is your property, I ſhall not do any thing of the kind: I ſalted it down. (Produces it.

GUILTY.

Fined 1s. *and impriſoned one month in Newgate.*

Tried by the ſecond Middleſex Jury before Mr. RECORDER.

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131. EDWARD MOULTON was indicted for feloniouſly ſtealing, on the 2d day of February, a leg of mutton, value 2s. 6d. and an iron hook, value 1d. the goods of William Borritt.

WILLIAM BORRITT *ſworn.*

On the 2d of February, at twenty minutes before eight o'clock, I had hung up five legs of mutton, and ſome pieces of beef; I loſt a leg of mutton.

THOMAS PHILLIPS *ſworn.*

I am a carpenter; I live next door to Borritt; I ſaw the priſoner and two others; the priſoner at the bar ſtopped; then they came by my houſe, and went back; and the priſoner took the leg of mutton off the hook; he put it under his coat; I went and aſked Borritt's ſervant if he ſaw the man take the mutton; I took the priſoner; he went into a paſſage, and there he left the mutton, and came out without it; before the mutton was brought out, he ſaid he knew nothing of it: the priſoner ſaid,

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Bl—ſt you, or d—n you, if you do not let me go, I will cut your bloody head off.

Priſoner. Did you ſee me go into the paſſage?—I did not.

EDWARD SMITH *ſworn.*

I am a butcher: on the 2d of February, I was coming from Iſlington; I ſaw a leg of mutton in the paſſage; it is a paſſage from St. John's-ſtreet to Northampton-ſtreet: the priſoner denied any knowledge of the mutton.

Phillips. I ſaw Smith there; it was about eight o'clock.

PRISONER's DEFENCE.

I was coming through this paſſage, and they ſaid they had loſt a leg of mutton, and Mr. Phillips ſaid I had taken it.

WILLIAM ALLEN *ſworn.*

I picked up this mutton in George-alley, and delivered it to Borritt's boy; I ſaw the leg of mutton near the place where they make water; the priſoner was fourteen yards from the place where the mutton was found: I adviſed them to let the priſoner go, as the property was found, and he had loſt ſight of the priſoner.

(The priſoner called three witneſſes, who gave him a good character.)

GUILTY, (Aged 18.) *Whipped.*

Tried by the ſecond Middleſex Jury before Mr. RECORDER.

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132. JAMES M'LEANE was indicted for feloniouſly ſtealing, on the 19th of January, a cloth jacket and waiſtcoat, value 3s. the goods of John Cotton.

JOHN COTTON *ſworn.*

I live at No. 67, Roſemary-lane; I am a cordwainer; I loſt a cloth jacket on the 19th of January; I work at home, and after I had left work I was ſitting by the fire, getting my ſupper; the watchman comes by, calls and tells me my door was open; I immediately got up, to ſhut up; I had faſtened it before, both latched and bolted; I immediately got up, to ſhut up, and ſaw the priſoner with the jacket and waiſtcoat under his arm, in my ſhop, in the inſide the room; it was about two or three yards from the ſhop where I was ſitting; they had been left on the counter.

How could he get in?—The top of the door is a hatch, and I ſuppoſe it was not bolted; and the under door has two bolts and a latch; I did not hear the door open at all; I had left work three quarters of an hour; the watchman alarmed me; I gave him charge of the priſoner; he had the things under his arm.

JOHN AYRES *ſworn.*

I am a watchman: as I was going round, crying ten o'clock, I found Mr. Cotton's door faſt; as I was coming back, I puſhed againſt the door, and found it gave way; I called to Mr. Cotton, and ſaw the priſoner at the bar with the property under his arm; I have kept it ever ſince.

(Produced and depoſed to.)

GUILTY. (Aged 25.)

Tried by the ſecond Middleſex Jury before Mr. Juſtice GROSE.

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133. THOMAS WEST was indicted for feloniouſly ſtealing, on the 20th day of January, two pewter quart pots, value 1s. 6d. the goods of Michael Wells.

MICHAEL WELLS *ſworn.*

I am a publican; I keep the Ship, Little Turnſtile, Holborn; I did not ſee the pots taken.

JOHN EARING *ſworn.*

I am a glazier: the priſoner at the bar came into Mr. Wells's, and called for a pint of beer, drank off the beer, and went backwards, and ſtaid a long time; and I looked (knowing he was a ſtranger to the houſe), and ſaw him open the kitchen-door, and

and take out a quart pot, and carry it into the yard, and put it behind the door; and then he came and took a ſecond, and put it in the ſame place; and hearing a diſturbance in the houſe, he ſteps into the houſe, and whips down in the place where he was before, and appeared very much frighted; and I went to the landlady, and told her; and another man went to the priſoner, and ſaid, you rogue, you have been robbing the landlady, ſtealing quart pots; he trembled very much, and ſaid he never did ſuch a thing in his life: they aſked him what he was; he ſaid he was a porter for his livelihood: we went backward, and found the pots behind the door; I took them from the door, and gave them to the landlady; I believe the landlord was preſent.

Wells. I received them from my wife; the priſoner was not preſent; he was in the tap-room at the time; I loſt a gallon-pot the ſame evening before.

RICHARD HOUGHTON *ſworn.*

I am a coach-harneſs-plate-maker; I was in this public-houſe; I ſaw the priſoner go backward, and he was a great while backward; he came into the door, and ſlipt into the box; and this young fellow, John Earing, was in the tap-room, and he ſaw the priſoner had been carrying the pots out one at a time; we kept the priſoner while he went out for the pots; I ſaw them brought in.

To Earing. What name was on thoſe pots?—Michael Wells.

THOMAS YATES *ſworn.*

I am the patrol; I took him into cuſtody; there was nothing found upon him.

WILLIAM BROWN *ſworn.*

I took him into cuſtody.

GUILTY. (Aged 22.)

Tried by the ſecond Middleſex Jury before Mr. RECORDER.

134. WILLIAM SMITH, and MARY his wife, were indicted for feloniouſly ſtealing, on the 19th day of January, one quart pewter pot, value 10d. and one pint pewter pot, value 4d. the goods of William Metcalfe.

WILLIAM METCALFE *ſworn.*

The pots were my property; I am a publican; I live in Windmill-ſtreet, Tottenham-court-road, at the White-hart; I loſt a quart pot and a pint pot, between the hours of three and four, on the 19th of January; I did not ſerve them.

WILLIAM METCALFE, jun. *ſworn.*

I am the ſon of the laſt witneſs: they came into my father's houſe about three o'clock, and called for a pint; they had ſome bread and cheeſe of their own, which they eat, and paid for the pint of beer; when they had paid for the pint of beer, they wanted ſome gin, and I ſaw them take a quart pot; I let them go out of the houſe, and called my father, and he purſued them, and took a quart pot from under the woman's apron; and I collared the man, and took a bag from him, in which were ſeven more pots, not my father's; when we were at the watch-houſe, there was another pint pot taken from his left-hand pocket; the quart and pint have my father's name upon them.

——— PATMAN *ſworn.*

I am a watchman: I was there, and ſaw theſe two people having a pint of beer; afterwards the woman takes a quart pot; and ſhe was followed, and the father took it from her, and I took this pint from his left-hand pocket, in the watch-houſe.

(Depoſed to.)

WILLIAM SMITH, (Aged 58,) } GUILTY.

MARY SMITH, NOT GUILTY.

Tried by the ſecond Middleſex Jury before Mr. Juſtice GROSE.

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135. THOMAS HAROD was indicted for feloniously ſtealing, on the 6th day of February, two half cotton ſhawls, value 2s. the goods of John Andrews.

JOHN ANDREWS *ſworn.*

I am a poor man; I loſt the articles from my place; I keep a cellar, and ſell garden-ſtuff and greens; I left the priſoner there, while I went with a meſſage, the 6th of February, on a Wedneſday; I left him between two and three o'clock, very near three o'clock; when I came back, he was gone; I did not miſs any thing; my wife miſſed the things when ſhe came home, and then I knew they were gone; two half calico ſhawls, a quarter of a pound of Souchong tea, and ſeven pawnbroker's duplicates; the ſhawls were in a box, and the duplicates in a little box inſide another box, and the tea in a caniſter, on the table; I have never recovered any thing but the duplicates, and a little of the tea looſe in his pocket; my wife catched him in Cranbourn-alley; my houſe is in Duke-ſtreet, St. James's; I ſaw them taken out of his pocket; he was brought home to my place in a little better than an hour; they were taken from his left-hand pocket; the tea was common brown tea; I had known him ſix years ago, and had not ſeen him till this day ſince.

JOHN JONES *ſworn.*

I was coming along Duke-ſtreet, and there were a great many people about the proſecutor's door, and they had got the man; I ſearched him, and took this box, containing theſe duplicates, out of his pocket; there was ſome tea, but ſuch a little, it could not be diſcerned what tea it was.

Court to Proſecutor. Were all the things pawned in your own name?—Yes; they were pawned in Cranbourn-alley.

(The box and duplicates depoſed to.)

PRISONER's DEFENCE.

I found it going into the proſecutor's houſe from eaſing myſelf, and I went immediately to ſeek after work; and in about an hour, in Cranbourn-alley, I met the proſecutor's wife, and I told her then, as I had but juſt looked at it, that I had picked up a box and the contents; ſhe ſaid ſhe had loſt many things elſe, and if I would tell her where they were, ſhe would forgive me.

GUILTY. (Aged 35.)

Tried by the ſecond Middleſex Jury before Mr. RECORDER.

MISDEMEANOR.

136. SHADRACH SHAW was indicted for fraudulently obtaining, under falſe pretences, of William Daniel Moxley, 176l. 5s. againſt the ſtatute.

(The caſe opened by Mr. Garrow.)

WILLIAM DANIEL MOXLEY *ſworn.*

I am a taylor: I was at the Bank on the 8th of November, laſt year; Mr. Shaw was ſtanding at the fire, in the Transfer-office; Mr. Shaw came to me, and aſked me the price of the 3 per Cents.; I told him they were an 8th, that meant 88 and an 8th; he told me he wanted to ſell 200l.; I told him he might put them to my name, at that price; I underſtood 200l. 3 per Cent. Conſols; I ſaw him very near a quarter of an hour after, and aſked him if the ſtock was transferred; he replied, it was not; I ſaw him again about half an hour from the ſecond converſation, and he brought me the receipt. (The receipt produced.) There is a miſtake; I have two Chriſtian names,

William Daniel; he left out the William; I told him of the miſtake, and that I would go to the books and ſee if it was right there; Mr. Shaw directed me, under the letter W.; I ſaw it transferred in the book; I paid him 176l. 5s. the price which I agreed for; I paid him by two drafts, which were afterwards paid.

Mr. Shepherd, Priſoner's Counſel. This buſineſs was done publickly?—Yes.

Are you a ſtock-jobber?—I am.

Did you ſell this again?—I *have*, and been paid for the whole.

Do you know who received the dividend?—I do not; I ſold it as a jobber.

GEORGE GIBBS *ſworn.*

I witneſſed this transfer, and the receipt likewiſe; I ſaw Mr. Shaw ſign theſe two ſeveral inſtruments; I am clerk in the 3 per Cent. office; if any perſon transfers ſtock, there is a perſon who inſpects the ticket and the books, to ſee if the money is there: in July, 1791, he made two different transfers.

Mr. Shepherd. Do you not know jobbers to buy and ſell the ſame day; is it a ſingular thing; if ſo, how came it not to be noticed in the year 1790?—I have not inſpected accounts, ſo I do not know; but ten years ago, when I inſpected accounts, I remember that to have been done; when the books ſhut the 1ſt of December, and were opened the 19th of January.

For what purpoſe are the clerks put?—To aſſiſt paying the dividends.

I believe Mr. Shaw has bought and ſold?—I have ſeen an account in the 5 per Cents.

Mr. Garrow. What happened ten years ago was the ſelling ſome ſtock that had been bought the ſame day?—It was; it is not againſt all general orders; it is in caſes of legacies, and on ſome particular occaſions, when a perſon will not be in town the next day.

WILLIAM SLADDEN *ſworn.*

I live at Kenſington: on the 17th of January I had a viſit from Mr. Shaw; I never ſaw him before that day; he aſked if my name was William Sladden; if I had not property in the 3 per Cent. Conſols; I told him yes, I had; he then ſaid, that owing to the multiplicity of names, and the hurry of buſineſs, there had been a miſtake; that a perſon had received a dividend of 400l. ſtock of mine, but had given him the money to pay me with, if I would accept of it; I told him, no; if there was any miſtake, I would chuſe to have it rectified at the Bank tomorrow; ſays he, it is a holiday, and no buſineſs done; come on Thurſday; I told him yes, if nothing particular happened; he then told me that his name was Shaw, he had been ſome years in the 3 per Cent. office, and that he was very well known: on Thurſday I went to the Bank; I found out the broker, and went to the 3 per Cent. office, and ſaw the chief clerk, who informed me that my ſtock ſtood right in the ledger, but the dividend-warrant was made out for 250l. only; Mr. Vicary was the chief clerk.

Mr. Knowlys, Priſoner's Counſel. This converſation was on the 17th; you did not come till the 19th; he told you his name, and that he was a clerk of the Bank, and exceedingly well known?—Yes.

ABRAHAM VICARY *ſworn.*

I am one of the chief clerks in the Bank: on Mr. Sladden's coming to the office, I looked into the ſtate of the ledger, and found 650l. to his credit.

In what manner is the preparation for the dividend-warrants?—The books are ſhut at a certain time, when no transfers can be made, or paid, then of courſe the ſeveral ſtock holders ſtocks had to the ledger; balances are taken on thoſe ſtock-accounts, and dividend-warrants prepared on thoſe balances, from the balance-ſheet; the clerks in general do that; one takes the ledger, the other the ſlip; Mr. Shaw appears on the ledger to have over credit for 400l., a falſe credit, which if taken from that improper place, Mr. Shaw's, and put in its proper place, Mr. Sladden's, it would have made Mr. Sladden's juſt 650l. on the balance-ſheet; the 400l. being, in addition to his 250l. which he had there, 650l. and then

then Sladden would have his whole dividend on the 650l.

Mr. Garrow to Vicary. Was there a perſon of the name of Hands in the 3 per Cents.?—There was.

Do you recollect ſeeing Mr. Shaw and Mr. Hands after Mr. Sladden came to the Bank on the 19th?—I did.

Was that before or after Mr. Shaw was apprized that he muſt be examined by the Directors?—Before: in that inſtance it appears that 250l. was called out to the name of Sladden.

Mr. Shaw had nothing to do in making out that bill?—None in the leaſt.

Had any thing paſſed between you and Mr. Shaw?—I went and aſked Mr. Shaw what miſtakes had happened in the office, and what occaſioned him to go to Kenſington on the Tueſday; he muttered ſomething, and attempted to ſpeak to Mr. Hands, and did ſpeak, as it appeared from what paſſed; I am not poſitive, becauſe I was at a diſtance; ſoon after that, Mr. Shaw was ſent for; I don't know that any intimacy has ſubſiſted between Mr. Shaw and Mr. Hands; he has abſconded, and is advertiſed for that and other offences.

Mr. Shepherd. I believe no clerk in the Transfer-office does buſineſs in his own letter?—No, except he is in the place.

Are they never placed in the letter where they have ſtock?—It is not particularly attended to; I believe he was not placed in letter S.

The ticket that is put into a box a clerk takes it out, and compares it with the ſtock in the box?—Yes.

Was this balance taken by Mr. Shaw?—I don't know.

Do you not know that often miſtakes have happened by people who job?—Certainly there have.

Do you know that it frequently happens that a man buys and ſells ſtock in the ſame day?—I cannot ſay; I don't know, except in caſes of neceſſity.

Is it not frequently done by a gratuity to the clerk?—It may be, but I don't allow it.

Mr. WALSH *ſworn.*

I produce the ticket of the transfer in this particular inſtance, paſſed by Mr. Hands, whoſe duty it was in this particular inſtance to paſs it.

——— MOORHOOSE *ſworn.*

I am a clerk at the Bank; this is my balance-ſheet belonging to the letter S. of my ledger for January, including Sladden's and Shaw's dividend; Mr. Hands made out the money; he aſſiſted; they are not his figures, I don't know whoſe they are.

JOHN WOODHOUSE *ſworn.*

I am clerk to Meſſrs. Preſcott, caſhier; I paid Mr. Neſbitt's draft, to the amount of 43l. 18s. 9d. to Mr. Shaw.

Mr. Shepherd. Mr. Shaw was of credit in your houſe?—He was.

Mr. Garrow. On the 19th of January had he any caſh?—He was over-drawn 400l. by a draft; at which time, before the coming in of that draft, he was over-drawn, I believe, about 40l. the draft was 360l.

HENRY STUBBS *ſworn.*

I am clerk in the houſe of Snaith, Sykes, and Co. I paid Mr. Moxley's draft for 132l. 6s. 3d.

FRANCIS WALSH *ſworn.*

I am a clerk in the Bank: I have an extract from the ledger of the Bank.

On the 16th of November had Mr. Shaw 200l. 3 per Cent. Conſols.?—No, Sir.

Had he any money at all?—No.

Now I would aſk you, whether, on the 30th of September, he had the ſum of 200l. or any other ſum, in the Conſols?—No.

The department in which Mr. Shaw was engaged, was clerk in the Transfer-office?—It was no part of his buſineſs to deal in the payment of the dividends; it was the firſt or ſecond day, and I believe the laſt is dated on that day.

Was it his ordinary buſineſs to pay dividends?—No, his regular buſineſs was to transfer, except for the firſt day or two of paying

paying dividends, when we ſend the clerks in to aſſiſt, and I believe Mr. Shaw went in.

From the 18th of May, 1789, till this time, had he ever had more than 20l. in his account in the Conſols?—No, and that was there only to the 6th of Auguſt; there was none remaining more than a day.

Do you permit that tranſaction to take place of buying and ſelling on the ſame day?—Not except in particular caſes.

(Mr. Shepherd addreſſed the Jury on the part of the Defendant.)

CHARLES DICKSON *ſworn.*

I live in Gerrard-ſtreet; I am a bruſh-maker and turner; I have known Mr. Shaw nineteen years, one of the moſt exemplary characters I ever heard of.

ANDREW ABBOTT *ſworn.*

I live at No. 82, Fleet-ſtreet; I am potter to the Prince of Wales; I have known him ſix or ſeven years; I have intruſted him with many thouſand pounds in the ſtocks.

JANE POOLE *ſworn.*

I live in Camomile-ſtreet; I have known him ten or twelve years; he has had very nigh 2000l. of my property; he has an honeſt character in every reſpect.

——— CLARIDGE *ſworn.*

I have known him nine years; his character is undeniable; I truſted him with 1300l. for very nigh ſix months; when I wanted money, there it was to a farthing.

SARAH SERJEANT *ſworn.*

I live in Whitechapel; I have known him twenty-ſix years laſt October; he has the beſt of characters; he has had ſeveral hundreds of pounds paſs through his hands.

THOMAS ALLUM *ſworn.*

I live in Chiſwell-ſtreet; I have known him fifteen years; he kept my books ten years; he has an excellent character; I have truſted him with many hundreds.

JOSEPH FRANCIS *ſworn.*

I have known him ſeven or eight years; I live in the Strand; he has the very beſt of characters; I am one of his ſecurities at the Bank.

Mr. BECKET *ſworn.*

I have known him ſixteen or ſeventeen years; he has an unexceptionable good character; I have intruſted him with 4000l. and he is my executor now: he has a wife and four children, and an aged father and mother.

(The Defendant called three other witneſſes, who gave him an excellent character.)

GUILTY.

Tranſported for ſeven years.

Tried by the London Jury before Mr. Juſtice ASHURST.

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137. ELIZABETH BATES was indicted for feloniouſly ſtealing, on the 5th day of September, one volume of Blair's Sermons, value 1s. and a variety of wearing apparel, the goods of Samuel Cooper, Eſq.

ALICE COOPER *ſworn.*

I am the wife of Mr. Samuel Cooper, Southampton-buildings; ſhe came to live with me July the ninth, at which time myſelf and daughter went to Briſtol, and I left the priſoner in care of the houſe; I did not miſs any of the articles till laſt November; I ſaw ſome impropriety in her conduct, and that led me to Mrs. Dupont, with whom ſhe formerly lived; Mrs. Dupont produced a carpet and blankets; that led to the diſcovery of other articles; I then aſked if Blair's Sermons was there; it was produced, and a child's mahogany chair, and a pillow-caſe which had the initials of my name, S. C. picked out, and B. put into another part; there were ſome other articles found at her lodging.

SAMUEL COOPER *ſworn.*

On the 23d of November laſt, I went to the priſoner's lodgings, in Shoe-lane, and there I found Nelſon's Feſtivals and Faſts, and a muſlin cravat; the priſoner was there; I told her the book was mine; ſhe admitted it was, but Mrs. Cooper had lent it her, or gave it her; as to the cravat, ſhe ſaid it was not mine, ſhe had it to waſh for a friend; it has no mark.

MARY WEST *ſworn.*

I am ſervant to Mrs. Dupont: the priſoner brought a child's mahogany chair to Mrs. Dupont, October 1790.

Court. Were all thoſe things you delivered to Mrs. Cooper brought by the priſoner; was any book of Sermons?—Yes, and a pillow-caſe: Mrs. Dupont deals in quills.

How came ſhe to bring them to Mrs. Dupont?—She came with Mrs. Cooper's compliments; ſhe left them in the care of Mrs. Dupont, and would be obliged to her to let them ſtand in our houſe; they were carried up three pair of ſtairs.

Did ſhe ever come and take any thing away again?—Yes, I believe, a coat and a new gown.

ROBERT SHORTO *ſworn.*

I am ſervant to Mr. Cooper: on the 22d of November, I went, with my miſtreſs, to

to Mrs. Dupont's, and I heard my miſtreſs ſay, theſe are my things; and on the 24th I went and brought them away in a coach: afterwards I went to the priſoner's lodgings, and there were ſome things found there. (Produces them.) There was a chair found at Dupont's, and Blair's Sermons (depoſed to by Mrs. Cooper); Nelſon's Feſtivals found in the lodgings, and a pair of ſilk ſtockings (depoſed to); alſo a clothes bruſh.

GUILTY.

(She was recommended to mercy.)

Impriſoned twelve months, and fined 1s.

Tried by the ſecond Middleſex Jury before Mr. RECORDER.

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138. EDWARD VAUGHAN and WILLIAM NICHOLLS were indicted for burglariouſly and feloniouſly breaking and entering the dwelling-houſe of George Capon, about the hour of ſeven in the night, and feloniouſly ſtealing therein a cotton gown, value 12s. a watch, value 40s. a watch-chain, value 2s. a metal ſeal, value 2s. 6d. the goods of William Auſtin, in the dwelling-houſe of the ſaid George Capon.

WILLIAM AUSTIN *ſworn.*

I am a dyer, in Booth-ſtreet, Spitalfields: I left my apartments ſafe locked about ſeven in the evening, and they were ſafe locked up at nine o'clock; when I came home, I found the ſtreet-door lock picked, and the bed-room door, on the right hand, unlocked: I have lodgers, who were at home when I went out: the bed-room door was forced open, and the bolt of the lock was bent. (States the articles in the indictment.) I left all theſe articles ſafe at ſeven o'clock: I have ſeen the watch and chain in Joſeph Naſh's hands ſince I loſt it: it was dark when I went out.

JOSEPH NASH *ſworn.*

I am a headborough: on Monday night, between eight and nine, I was going up Booth-ſtreet; I ſaw Nicholls and Vaughan in Booth-ſtreet, with a candle; I watched them, and ſaw them go into the houſe of the proſecutor; I ran to my brother, and told him there were two people in a houſe; I then went into the houſe of the proſecutor; they ſaid they had loſt a watch; I went in purſuit of the priſoners; my reaſon for not attempting to take them was, there were two of them, and I only one; I went after them to Petticoat-lane, and found them; I took them from Mr. Philips's, in Petticoat-lane; he keeps an old-iron ſhop; I took them to Mile-end New-town watch-houſe; when I went into Philips's, I aſked for a watch; and while I was ſecuring them, Philips gave me the watch; they were both at Philips's.

THOMAS TURNBULL *ſworn.*

I am by trade a hot-preſſer: on Monday evening laſt, when I came home, the ſtreet was in confuſion; that was Booth-ſtreet; Mr. Naſh was there, and he and I went to Philips's, and found the priſoners, and the watch.

SAMUEL PHILIPS *ſworn:*

I am a dealer in broken flint glaſs: on Monday night, about a quarter after eight o'clock, the priſoners came to my ſhop; one of them, Vaughan, aſked me to buy a watch; I told them I did not deal in watches; immediately Mr. Naſh came in; I did not take the watch out of his hands; Naſh ſaid, ſearch theſe priſoners; Vaughan put the watch on the table; I ſaid to Naſh, here is the watch.

Priſoner Vaughan. Did you not pull the watch out of your own pocket?—No, I did not, I ſwear.

THOMAS BOWYER *ſworn.*

I am a weaver, Gentlemen of the Jury: I came down in the evening, about half paſt eight o'clock, and found the back door of the entry wide open, and I faſtened and bolted the back door, and ſhut the ſtreet-door: about twelve minutes afterwards, I came down ſtairs again; the back door was faſt;

faſt; I then was proceeding to the ſtreet-door, and found the proſecutor's bed-room door wide open; I came to the ſtreet-door, and found that about half-a-yard open; Joſeph Naſh was at the next door; he came up to me; I called for a light; I took him into the bed-room; I told him the apartment was not mine; Naſh then went in purſuit.

(The watch produced, and depoſed to by the proſecutor.)

PRISONER VAUGHAN's DEFENCE.

I did not ſee the watch before I was at Philips's; I went there to buy a pannel for my door; I am a carpenter; I was not there ten minutes before Mr. Naſh came in, and ſaid that he wanted me; Philips is a receiver of ſtolen goods.

Priſoner Nicholls. Pleaſe you, my Lord, I only went into the ſhop of Philips to aſk him for a ſhilling he owed me.

Philips. I owed Nicholls a ſhilling for ſome work he had done before.

EDWARD VAUGHAN, alias PURCELL, } GUILTY.

WILLIAM NICHOLLS, GUILTY of ſtealing to the value of 39s.

Tranſported for ſeven years.

Tried by the ſecond Middleſex Jury before Mr. RECORDER.

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139. ROBERT AYRES was indicted for feloniouſly ſtealing, on the 8th of February, one leather knee-boot, value 5s. the goods of Drayton Moore.

THOMAS WILDMAN *ſworn.*

On the 9th of this month, I had been to the Old Hats, on the Uxbridge road; returning home, one of the mail-coaches overſet us, and broke the chaiſe, ſo that we were obliged to walk; the officers of Bow-ſtreet lent us aſſiſtance; I ſent next day for the chaiſe, and the knee-boot was loſt, it had been cut off; the accident happened on Wedneſday, and on the Friday they ſent for me to Bow-ſtreet.

JOHN BAYLEY *ſworn.*

On Wedneſday evening, the 8th of February, about eleven o'clock, I ſtopped the priſoner; he had this bundle tied up in a handkerchief; he ſaid they were his clothes; I took him into the turnpike-houſe, and found it was a knee-boat; he ſaid he found it; two of my partners preſently came up, and ſaid a ſtage was broke down on Shepherd's-buſh common; I went there the next day, and met the people; Mr. Wildman had ſent for the chaiſe; we went to Iſlington on the following day, and ripped off the remainder of the leather knee-boot, and on comparing them they matched exactly.

(Produces the knee-boot, and the piece that was afterwards ripped off; compared.)

JOHN BAKER, jun. *ſworn.*

All that my partner has ſaid is true; I know no more.

Wildman. (Depoſes to the knee-boot.) I am very ſure it is the ſame.

PRISONER's DEFENCE.

I had been in the country for my tools, and on my return I ſaw two men making off over a field; I ſaw the bundle lying in the road, and came up to this turnpike, and there they ſtopped me; I did not ſay it was my clothes, I ſaid it was probably clothes.

GUILTY. (Aged 35.)

Fined 1s. *and impriſoned ſix months.*

Tried by the ſecond Middleſex Jury before Mr. Juſtice GROSE.

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140. WILLIAM WATTS was indicted for feloniouſly ſtealing, on the 7th day of January, one piece of ſilk handkerchief, containing fourteen handkerchiefs, value 64s. the goods of Alexander Blythe, Charles Blythe, and George Blythe, privately in their ſhop.

GEORGE

GEORGE BLYTHE *ſworn.*

The priſoner came to our houſe on the 30th of January, about five o'clock; the candles were not lighted; he came in, and deſired to ſee ſome handkerchiefs; there were ſeveral cuſtomers in the ſhop; my two brothers were in the ſhop; they are my partners; their names are Alexander and Charles Blythe; I ſhewed him three pieces; they are ſilk handkerchiefs; in the mean time he took a piece out of the ſhop; he puſhed them all together, and aſked the price; I ſaid, 4s. 6d. he offered 3s. 6d. there was another boy along with him; we miſſed one piece as ſoon as he was gone out of the ſhop; I did not ſee him ſeparate that one from the other; he walked out as ſoon as he ſaid we could not agree; I was ſuſpicious of him, and as ſoon as I miſſed it I went after him up Long-lane, and there I ſaw him take it from under his coat, and throw it down; after he dropped the goods, I loſt him; I purſued him, and he was brought back in five or ſix minutes; the goods were picked up by a ſtranger, and brought back to our ſhop; it contains fourteen handkerchiefs; they are worth ſixty-four ſhillings. (Produced.) The other boy went out with the priſoner.

ROBERT NEWMAN *ſworn.*

I only produce the handkerchiefs; I have had them ever ſince.

SIMEON STEVENS *ſworn.*

I am a conſtable, and took the priſoner, and marked the goods.

Priſoner. I was going on an errand into Holborn for my maſter.

(The priſoner called three witneſſes, who gave him a good character.)

GUILTY.

Tranſported for ſeven years.

Tried by the London Jury before Mr. RECORDER.

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141. WILLIAM COLLIN was indicted for feloniouſly ſtealing, on the 1ſt day of February, one cotton ſhawl, value 4s. and four pocket-handkerchiefs, value 3s. &c. the goods of Harry Weedon; and one apron, value 1s. the goods of Margaret Bell.

HARRY WEEDON *ſworn.*

I am a taylor; the articles in the indictment belong to me, except the apron; they were on my ſhop counter, I ſaw them about three o'clock in the afternoon; I had been out, and returned about a quarter before four, and was told I was robbed.

MARGARET BELL *ſworn.*

I loſt a cloth apron; I ſaw it at three o'clock.

CHARLES COULSON *ſworn.*

I am a ſervant; I ſaw the priſoner go into the houſe; I was on the ſame ſide of the way; in about two minutes after, he came out; I ſeized him; juſt before I ſeized him, he dropped the bundle.

MICHAEL DAVENPORT *ſworn.*

I am a conſtable; I produce this bundle; I have opened it; I received the bundle of Mrs. Weedon, and have kept it ever ſince.

Harry Weedon depoſes to the things mentioned in the indictment.

GUILTY. (Not 13.)

Tranſported for ſeven years.

Tried by the London Jury before Mr. RECORDER.

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142. THOMAS BARTON was indicted for ſtealing, on the 7th day of November, one linen ſhirt, value 7s. the goods of George Anſell.

GEORGE ANSELL *ſworn.*

I live in Long-alley, Moorfields: on or about the 8th of November, my ſervant aſked me if I had taken away a ſhirt: the ſhirt was found at Mrs. Purſe's, in London-wall.

WILLIAM WAKEFIELD *ſworn.*

I produce a ſhirt, which I received on the 7th of November, for 5s. it was pledged by George Barton.

(The ſhirt produced, and depoſed to.)

Priſoner. That ſhirt was left with me by a perſon in Kent, a friend of mine; and I wanted money, and pledged the ſhirt.

GUILTY.

Tranſported for ſeven years.

Tried by the London Jury before Mr. COMMON SERJEANT.

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143. ISAAC M'DONALD was indicted for ſtealing, on the 21ſt of January, a piece of India muſlin, value 1l. 15s. the goods of William Coulthard.

JOHN CROUCH *ſworn.*

On the 21ſt of January, the priſoner at the bar brought a piece of muſlin; he wanted to pledge it for a guinea and a half; he ſaid he lived in Lothbury, kept a linen-draper's ſhop; I wrote the duplicate, and gave my man the money, and told him to go and ſee if the priſoner lived there; when my man had got his hat, he ſaid, Sir, I will not give you the trouble; I have taken it from Mr. Coulthard's warehouſe, where he lived ſervant; he ſaid he expected ſome money from the country in the enſuing week, and then he meant to reſtore it; I ſent for his maſter, and he has left the muſlin with me (the muſlin produced); there was a letter in his pocket, importing that money would come.

WILLIAM COULTHARD *ſworn.*

The priſoner has lived with me twenty-one months, as errand-boy and warehouſe-man; I know the muſlin by the mark G (depoſed to the muſlin); he never lived in any place in London before mine.

Court. Mr. Crouch, you have acted in this caſe with much propriety; you merit the thanks of the Court.

(The Jury humbly recommended him; the proſecutor alſo wiſhed he might be ſent as a ſoldier to the Eaſt-Indies.)

GUILTY. (Aged 17.)

Privately whipped, and diſcharged.

Tried by the London Jury before Mr. COMMON SERJEANT.

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144. NATHANIEL HARRIS was indicted for ſtealing, on the 30th day of January laſt, one calico wrapper, value 1s. three other wrappers, value 20s. the goods of Hubert Huſſey, Jacob Wood, and John Wood.

HUBERT HUSSEY *ſworn.*

I am a warehouſeman: on Monday, the 30th of January, I had a ſuſpicion of the priſoner's honeſty, and meant to diſcharge him; he begged I would not; I ſaid, if you will ſhew me your lodging, and I do not find any property of mine, I ſhall very much alter my opinion of you; he conſented; I went there, and in a room up one pair of ſtairs found little or nothing; this little child ſaid, there was another room up two pair of ſtairs; there was a quantity of calico, and three gowns of purple print; there were two boxes, two or three remants of waxed wrappers, and three lawn handkerchiefs; we could not find the key of this room, and ſo he conſented to have it broke open; I ſaid nothing to induce him to confeſs; we never ſell the waxed wrappers; the priſoner was our porter: the priſoner aſked for the boxes, and the waxed wrappers, and was refuſed.

ROBERT ELLWINE *ſworn.*

I went with him to his lodgings; he told us he had only that room, and we went down ſtairs; when we came there, he opened ſome drawers, but there was one which was locked up, and he ſaid he could not find the key; his child ſaid her mother had it, and the key of the two pair of ſtairs; at which he ſeemed angry, and ſhook his fiſt

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at her; we found two boxes; one was marked; there was in one of them many quires of paper: when he was detected, the priſoner ſaid, for God's ſake, Mr. Huſſey, interfere, and do not hurt me! I ſaid, you are a damned raſcal, you ought to be hanged: he did ſay that one of the boxes was given him by one of the porters.

Mr. Knapp, Priſoner's Counſel. The printed calico was made up in gowns?—It was.

Did you not ſay it would be better for him, if he confeſſed?—I did not; he ſaid there was a box there.

Do not theſe porters conſider theſe boxes as perquiſites?—No.

Did you ſwear at him before or after?—I don't recollect.

——— CROSS *ſworn.*

I am a conſtable: on Monday Mr. Huſſey called, and told me he wanted a conſtable; I went with him, and found this box, and theſe things in them (produced); they have been kept at Mr. Huſſey's ever ſince; they were ſealed at the Manſion-houſe.

(The box depoſed to, and the contents.)

——— JONES *ſworn.*

All I know about the box is, that it is my maſter's; there is my maſter's name upon it.

Mr. Knapp. Theſe boxes you conſider as perquiſites?—We cut them up for firewood, ſome of them, not all.

(The priſoner called five witneſſes, who gave him a good character.)

GUILTY. (Aged 35.)

Tranſported for ſeven years.

Tried by the London Jury before Mr. COMMON SERJEANT.

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145. RICHARD WARREN was indicted for feloniouſly ſtealing, on the 18th of January, 12 lb. weight of printing types, value 5s. the goods of Henry Reynell.

HENRY REYNELL *ſworn.*

I am a printer; I live in Piccadilly; I only prove the property.

THOMAS KING *ſworn.*

I am a ſervant of Mr. Reynell: on the 18th of January I miſſed a quantity of type; I waited in a room till the priſoner went from work; I ſuſpected him: after he went from work, I went up ſtairs, and miſſed three pieces of printing type; I followed the priſoner into Coventry-ſtreet; I told him to come back to the office; and as he went up the ſteps, I felt his pocket, and he took the type out of his pocket. (Produced, and Reynell depoſes to the types.) I marked them, before they were ſtolen, with a figure of ſix; I am ſure they are Mr. Reynell's property: we aſked him if he knew of any more; he ſaid he ſtole 12 lb. more, and ſaid poverty induced him to do ſo.

CHARLES MORRIS *ſworn.*

Confirmed the teſtimony of the laſt witneſs.

PRISONER's DEFENCE.

My Lord, Mr. Reynell promiſed me he would not hurt me if I would confeſs; I did then tell him of a little more. My Lord, I have a very large family, and have had the palſy ſeveral times: I have been in gaol ſix weeks, and nothing but the bare boards to ſleep on, and the gaol allowance.

GUILTY.

(Recommended by the Jury.)

Whipped.

Tried by the firſt Middleſex Jury before Mr. Juſtice GROSE.

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146. JOHN RAVENHILL was indicted for feloniouſly ſtealing, on the 11th day of February, one pair of leather half-boots, value 3s. the goods of Baltis Ford.

BALTIS FORD *ſworn.*

I loſt a pair of half-boots from behind the door, on the 11th of February, on Saturday:

turday: he took them from a nail, and laid them down on a tea-cheſt, with other goods; he then turned about to the other part of the ſtreet, and took his apron off, and came back with his apron under his arm, and lay his apron over the half-boots, as they lay on the cheſt; then drew them up ſo, that they could not be ſeen; I inſtantly ran after him, and took them from him; it was his own apron: I bought them of a gentleman's ſervant; I marked them, after he ſtole them, and gave them to the conſtable.

A WITNESS *ſworn.*

I am a ſhoemaker: I was informed that the priſoner was about Mr. Ford's door; I went and ſaw him take the half-boots off the nail, on Saturday the 11th of this month; I was preſent when the proſecutor took them from him.

Priſoner. He has took me at a very great nonplus, or I could have brought very good friends to my character; I have 20l. a year annuity; I could have ſent for Alderman Harley: I picked them up in the ſtreet.

GUILTY. (Aged 49.)

Publicly whipped, and impriſoned 6 months.

Tried by the ſecond Middleſex Jury before Mr. RECORDER.

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147. CATHARINE DUNBAR was indicted for feloniouſly breaking and entering the dwelling-houſe of Jane Shann, about the hour of three in the night, no perſon being therein, and feloniouſly ſtealing therein a bed-quilt, value 3s. three blankets, value 3s. an iron frying-pan, value 6d. and one braſs candleſtick, value 6d. the goods of the ſaid Jane.

JANE SHANN *ſworn.*

I am a widow; I live in Pump-court; the one pair of ſtairs was broke open the 28th of January, Saturday; I let it to a man and his wife; a furniſhed room; I keep the whole houſe; I rent five houſes in the yard, and let them out in tenements; they were loſt from a houſe where I do not live myſelf.

Court. Then it was not taken from your dwelling-houſe?—No.

All the articles loſt were let with the lodgings?—Yes, every article in the indictment.

Who were the lodgers that you had?—Thomas Frampton and Elizabeth Frampton; they had theſe things; they were not let to the priſoner; ſhe is a ſtrange woman.

When did you ſee them laſt?—Betwixt one and two o'clock on Saturday; I ſaw Catharine Dunbar going out of the room, and I went up to her, and ſhe had a bundle under her arm, and a frying-pan in her hand; I followed her, and aſked her where ſhe was going with theſe things? I called to Mrs. Frampton, and aſked her if ſhe had left the door open; I ſtopped her, and found three blankets and one bed-quilt, a frying-pan, and a braſs candleſtick; I can ſwear they are my property, becauſe I know my own things; the quilt is red on one ſide, and white on the other; the iron frying-pan had a braſs rivet in it; the candleſtick has a piece broke out of the top.

Priſoner. The woman told me, when ſhe ſtopped me that day, that the door was not locked.

ELIZABETH FRAMPTON *ſworn.*

At the time theſe things were loſt, I was out ſcouring, at next door; Mrs. Shann alarmed me; ſhe ſaid, Mrs. Frampton, you have not locked your door; the things were let to me; I found a quilt, three blankets, an iron frying-pan, and a braſs candleſtick; they all belong to Mrs. Shann, and they were let to me; the door was double-locked; when I came back, I found the door forced, and wide open; the ſtaple was forced out; I found it afterwards.

DAVID BREWER *ſworn.*

I am a conſtable: I was ſent for, and when I came up to the houſe, the things were carried up into the room; I took the things into my poſſeſſion, and examined the room, and carried them to a magiſtrate; I have

have kept them from that time to this: I now produce them.

(The things produced, and depoſed to.)

PRISONER's DEFENCE.

I was coming paſt, and the woman met me, and gave me theſe things; I did not know they were ſtolen; the witneſs ſaid, ſhe did not lock the door; whether it was, or was not ſo, I cannot tell; I never was up in the room; the things were given me by a woman that lives in the neighbourhood, and did live there ſome time back; I am as innocent as a child unborn; I know nothing but that they were given me; my witneſſes have been here all day, but they are all gone home; they are working people; I am a very honeſt woman, and I work very hard.

GUILTY of ſtealing, but not of the burglary. (Aged 45.)

Tried by the firſt Middleſex Jury before Mr. RECORDER.

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148. ROBERT JONES was indicted for feloniouſly ſtealing, on the 5th of January, one pair of ſilk ſtockings, value 12s. the goods of Richard March, privily in his ſhop.

FRANCIS UPCOTT *ſworn.*

I am in the ſervice of Richard March, hoſier, in the Strand: on Wedneſday, the 25th of January, between the hours of ſeven and eight in the evening, the priſoner at the bar came in, and aſked to ſee ſome white ſilk ſtockings: after ſhewing him a great variety, he made choice of one pair, which I put by on the counter; he then ſaid he wanted a pair of coloured, and a pair of black likewiſe: I ſhewed him the coloured ſilk ſtockings; he objected to the price being too high; I told him I would ſhew him ſome of a lower price, and turned my back: while I was turning round, I heard the pareels on the counter to ſtir, by a ruſtling noiſe, as if a pair had been taken out; I ſhewed him the ſecond parcel; he objected to them likewiſe, as being too dear; he then took up his gloves, and was going towards the door; there is a leaf which lifts up of the counter, juſt by the door; I lifted up the leaf, went out, took the priſoner by the collar, and accuſed him of the theft; and at the ſame time placed him on the oppoſite ſide of the ſhop, againſt a counter, where no ſtockings had been opened; he put his left-hand into his left-hand pocket, and drew a pair of ſilk ſtockings out, and threw them behind him; and they fell by his right foot, on the floor: he then ſolicited me very much to let him go; that he was a tradeſman: I told him, as it was my duty to protect my maſter's property, a proper perſon muſt go with him: I ſent to call for a workman up ſtairs; I was the only perſon in the ſhop at the time the ſtockings were taken; the workman came down, and I requeſted him to call a conſtable; and I kept the man till he came, and gave him and the ſtockings to the conſtable; the ſtockings were the property of Richard March; he has had them ever ſince; they were marked with my mark before; they might have been marked two or three days, or two or three weeks; I am ſure they were the property of Mr. Richard March: theſe were not the ſtockings I put by; they were from another parcel; I am certain they were taken out of the parcel on the counter; I remembered ſeeing this pair on the counter, when I ſhewed the ſtockings to him; I knew them by the mark; I am ſure they were in the parcel when he came into the ſhop; there were more pairs than one in the parcel with my mark, but I know this by the pattern; they were coloured ſilk without clocks; I have ſold ſome in the ſhop of the ſame pattern, but not to the priſoner.

Court. Did you know the number that was in the parcel?—No.

Till he dropped the ſtockings, was you aware that he had any?—From what he had done, and I ſaw him in the motion of putting them in his pocket; I believe there was but one pair of that pattern in the parcel.

Suppoſe you had not ſuſpected any thing, ſhould you have miſſed theſe ſtockings from the parcel?—I don't ſuppoſe I ſhould.

Court. Mr. Upcott, I obſerve theſe ſtockings are a very common pattern?—They are a very particular pattern, it has not been made above ſix weeks.

You ſaid you were ſure this pair was there when the priſoner came in; can you venture to ſwear that theſe ſtockings were in the parcel?—I am as poſitive of it, that thoſe ſtockings were in the parcel, as that I am in this place now; I knew them by the particular pattern of the ſtockings, and I ſwear more poſitively from hearing the noiſe of the parcel; I don't ſwear poſitively, by the pattern of the ſtockings, that they were in the parcel, but alſo by hearing a ruſtling on the counter.

Upon your ſuſpicions of this man, you went round to a leaf of the counter; and by your own account you carried him to the other ſide of your ſhop; what is the width?—About four feet.

Now theſe ſtockings were found on the floor?—As cloſe to the oppoſite counter as poſſible.

How long might any ſtockings have been open on that counter?—Three or four hours, but not ſilk; we never have ſilk on that ſide.

Can you venture to ſwear that there had been no ſilk opened on that ſide?—It is merely accidental if any are opened on that ſide; there was not a ſingle pair opened on that counter at that time.

I would juſt wiſh to know, ſo as to ſee, with all your accuracy, how he took them out?—I took them up at his feet.

I want to know how you could ſee ſo much as this?—There were four candles in the ſhop.

Will you venture to ſwear that you ſaw ſo accurately?—I have ſworn it, and I will abide by the whole courſe of my evidence.

JAMES TALBOYS *ſworn.*

I produce ſome ſtockings given to me by Mr. Upcott, and I have had them in my poſſeſſion ever ſince; I received them from Mr. Upcott in the preſence of the priſoner Mr. Upcott ſaid that he ſuſpected the priſoner becauſe he heard a ruſtling on the counter.

(Depoſed to.)

Mr. Schoen to Mr. Upcott. Did you examine the number of the parcel?—I did not; I only know they were loſt, by my ſuſpicions, and what I ſaw.

Priſoner. I leave it to my counſel.

A WITNESS *examined.*

What will become of you, if you ſwear that which is falſe?—I ſhall go to the devil.

How old are you?—I am turned of 15.

(Sworn.)

On the 25th of January laſt, the priſoner came in about ſome ſilk ſtockings, and Mr. Upcott and he could not agree about the price; and he was going out, and Mr. Upcott took hold of him; I told him he had a pair in his pocket, and he put his hand into his pocket, and took a pair out, and throwed them down by his right foot; Mr. Upcott told me to call a man down ſtairs; the man came down, and went out for a conſtable.

Mr. Schoen. Whō taught you all this?—I only ſpeak what I ſaw.

Not the young man that was up laſt?—No, he did not.

Upcott. I thank you for the compliment.

GUILTY of ſtealing, but not privately. (Aged 30.)

Tried by the firſt Middleſex Jury before Mr. RECORDER.

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149. SIMON SAMUEL was indicted for feloniouſly ſtealing, on the 23d of January, three pair of ſilk ſtockings, value 20s. the goods of Henry Goldfinch.

RICHARD DUFFIN *ſworn.*

I am apprentice to Mr. Henry Goldfinch, No. 57, Lombard-ſtreet; he loſt three pair of ſilk ſtockings, Monday the 23d of January,

nuary, he put his handkerchief over them, between the hours of four and five in the evening; the priſoner came into the ſhop, and aſked to look at ſome patterns of worſted ſtockings; I ſhewed him two pairs, which he objected to, being rather too large: I put them away; he then aſked if we had any lady's ſilk ſtockings; I informed him we had; he deſired me to ſhew him ſome; I opened a paper with ſome; during the time he was ſingling out theſe three pair of ſtockings, he covered with his handkerchief, by lifting it up once or twice, ſome pairs of ſtockings, but how many at that time I could not tell; he had ſingled out three pair, and aſked me the price of them; during that time he had covered ſome ſilk ſtockings with his handkerchief; the price I informed him was a guinea and a half the three pair, which he thought too much money; he offered me twenty-ſeven ſhillings for the three pair, which I informed him was lower than they could poſſibly be ſold for; not agreeing for the price, I puſhed them to the bottom of the counter, excepting thoſe covered with his handkerchief.

Did this covering ſeem accidental?—It ſeemed intentional; he had his handkerchief in his hand when he came into the ſhop: I went to call Mr. Goldfinch round the end of the counter; I had got the cotton ſtockings down, and laid them on the counter, but had not opened them; they laid immediately behind me: he was going out of the door; I ran to him, laid hold of him by the collar, and brought him back again; a little ſcuffle enſued, during which he had laid the ſtockings down on the counter unperceived by me: when I had taken the cotton ſtockings down, I ſaw him concealing the ſilk ſtockings into his pocket, in the handkerchief; I did not ſee the ſtockings, but the handkerchief.

Can you ſay whether he took up the handkerchief and the ſtockings together?—Where he had taken the handkerchief up, the counter was quite clear; I am certain of that; the ſtockings were laid nearly on the ſame part, but quite in a confuſed ſtate: I deſired him to empty his pockets; but when a conſtable was ſent for, no more was found upon him but theſe ſtockings.

How could they be put down, and you not ſee it?—It was near five o'clock, and at that time of the year duſkiſh.

Jury. If it was duſkiſh, how could you ſee the counter was clear?—I am certain there was nothing on the counter: the ſtockings all belonged to my maſter.

Mr. Garrow. Tell the Jury how much money was found upon the man.—I do not know exactly.

Had he not conſiderably more than he had been treating for?—He had certainly.

How far were you from the counter when you had what you call the ſcuffle?—Nothing like three yards.

A man might turn round; the man had not got out of the ſhop at all?—I cannot ſay that.

You cannot tell even that!

HENRY GOLDFINCH *ſworn.*

I ſearched his pockets, and found nothing; and turning round, I found three pair of ſilk ſtockings lying in an unuſual manner, as if they had been graſped up; they were white ſilk ſtockings, my property; I ſaw the priſoner had three or four guineas, and ſome ſilver, about him.

PRISONER's DEFENCE.

My Lord, and Gentlemen of the Jury; I had an occaſion to do ſome particular buſineſs, and alſo being in want of ſome ſtockings, I went into the proſecutor's ſhop, and aſked the ſhopman to ſhew me three pair of ſilk ſtockings; I aſked the price of them; the ſhopman told me the price was 30s. I examined the ſtockings very carefully, and found them rather ſlight, and not worth that money; I then offered him 27s. which he refuſed, alledging he could not take leſs than 30s. which was the price: on which he ſaid he would ſhew me ſome inferior and lower quality, which I refuſed, and then ſtood by the counter, and took my pocket-handkerchief out of my pocket, and afterwards put the handkerchief into my pocket, and then I buttoned up my coat, with

my ſtick in my hand, and walked five yards from the counter, and wiſhed the ſhopman a good day: I was near out of the door, when the ſhopman called two more out of a room, and charged me with ſtealing the ſtockings; on which I was ſearched by them, but no ſtockings found on me at all, nor any thing elſe, ſaving caſh to the amount of five guineas, and ſome ſilver; on which the ſhopman turned round and ſaid, I ſee the ſtockings on the counter; all this happened on the 24th of January laſt, about four o'clock: theſe circumſtances of my caſe I humbly offer to my Lord and the Jury, and I am entirely innocent of the charge againſt me.

(The priſoner called ſix witneſſes, who gave him a very good character.)

The Jury withdrew for about two hours, and returned with a verdict,

GUILTY. (Aged 40.)

(Recommended by the Jury.)

Tried by the London Jury before Mr. RECORDER.

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150. PHEBE HORN was indicted for feloniouſly ſtealing, on the 4th of November, four linen ſhirts, value 18s. the goods of Peter Addiſon.

PETER ADDISON *ſworn.*

I am a journeyman hair-dreſſer; I am a lodger; I loſt four linen ſhirts from my lodgings, No. 13, Taſh-ſtreet, Gray's-inn-lane, in November, I believe; the firſt was on the 4th; the woman was a ſtranger to me; ſhe and her huſband called to let me know my child was well in the country; I believe this was on the 2d of November; my child was in the country; my wife employed her to waſh for me; after that, I told her ſhe might come and ſee what was wanted to do, and I would give her her victuals for it: ſhe had a fit, and frightened my wife, and went away one Saturday night; and the next time my wife went to waſh, ſhe miſſed four ſhirts; this was on the 12th of December: I found them at the pawnbroker's: he is here.

Mrs. ADDISON *ſworn.*

I miſſed my linen when I went to ſort it out of the foul-clothes bag.

A WITNESS *ſworn.*

I am a pawnbroker: I produce four ſhirts, pawned by the priſoner at the bar, at different times; I have not the leaſt doubt of the woman.

(The ſhirts depoſed to, one of them having a mourning frill, and having one of the button-holes ſewed up, and a button ſet upon it.)

PRISONER's DEFENCE.

I was very much diſtreſſed when I came to London, and I went to Mr. Addiſon's to help her to waſh, and ſhe lent me the ſhirts to pawn; and becauſe I did not get them out againſt the time, ſhe did this from ſpite: I was very poor; my huſband had but ſix ſhillings a week.

Court to Mrs. Addiſon. Had you ever any quarrel with this woman?—Never in my life.

Did you ever give her any ſhirts to pawn?—Never in my life, upon my oath.

GUILTY. (Aged 24.)

Tried by the ſecond Middleſex Jury before Mr. RECORDER.

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151. JAMES KENNY was indicted for feloniouſly making an aſſault, on the King's highway, on William Lording, on the 12th of February, and feloniouſly taking from his perſon, and againſt his will, one hat, value 6d. and four ſhillings in money, the goods and monies of the ſaid William Lording.

WILLIAM LORDING *ſworn.*

Laſt Sunday evening (I draw beer at the Royal Oak, Newport-Market) I went out

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to Hungerford-market, and I ſpent the evening there; I ſtopped there and had ſome ſupper, and ſtaid till it was pretty late, and I made it my way through Drury-lane; I was ſober; I went into ſome public-houſe and called for a pint of beer; this man followed me in; he was quite a ſtranger to me; I drank part of the pint of beer, as much as I liked, and offered the priſoner the remainder; and then two other fellows came in, and ſat in the ſame box, and called for a pot of beer; I put my hand into my pocket and pulled out five or ſix ſhillings and ſome halfpence, and gave the landlord a ſhilling; he took for their pot and my pint, and gave me ſixpence three-farthings; I was not ſatisfied; they ſaid I ſhould do it, and they would ſtrike me if I did not; I had never ſeen the people before; rather than be ſtruck, I paid; they did not ſtrike me in the houſe; I was threatened, I cannot ſay by whom; with that, I went out, it was now after twelve, and walked up to the top of Drury-lane, through Broad St. Giles's, into the coach-yard; the Hampſhire-hog yard is the common name; then the three gathered about me, and knocked me down; the ſame men as were in the public-houſe; the priſoner ſtruck me firſt in the face with his fiſt, and took my hat; there are lamps in that yard; I fell to the ground, and I put my hand into my pocket; the others ſtruck me at the ſame time, they ſtruck me on my head; I was quite knocked down to the ground; this man forced his hand into my pocket when I was on the ground; I halloo'd out murder! as loud as I could; he then took his hand out of my pocket, and I got up; and he ſaid I had got more; I then run through the yard as faſt as I could into Church-ſtreet, where I lodged; the three ran after me the ſecond time, and I halloo'd murder! all along the ſtreet; they came up, and knocked me down again; the priſoner forced his hand a ſecond time into my pocket; with that, the watchman coming up, he turned off, as if nothing was the matter, and the watchman brought him to me; my eyes were never off from him; the watchman's name is Conway; I miſſed four ſhillings and ſome halfpence, in all, and my hat; I miſſed my hat the firſt time I was robbed; the priſoner at the bar took my hat off, as if he was throwing it to others, before he ſtruck me; I never recovered my money; I am very ſure that he is the very ſame man; I am an Iriſhman; I have lived five months in the public-houſe in Newport-market, but I am now out of place, and have been a fortnight laſt Tueſday; his name was John Webley that I lived with; I ſlept in that houſe while I lived there.

JOHN CONWAY *ſworn.*

I am a watchman; I was ſitting in my box, after twelve o'clock laſt Sunday night, the far end of Berkeley-ſtreet, St. Giles's; I heard people running towards the box; I looked out, and thought there were but two; I got up, and took my lanthorn; I heard murder called out, and I heard a man tumble down; I then went out, and aſked the priſoner at the bar what was the matter (I did not ſee the man down); he ſaid, I don't know, I heard nothing; he carried me along to the man; ſays he, that is the man that robbed me of my hat, and a ſhilling I juſt now had in my pocket; and he went to ſtrike him: ſays I, you muſt not ſtrike him; he is now my priſoner: the proſecutor appeared to be ſober, but frighted, by the people purſuing him: it was a dry night; his clothes did not appear dirty; but I ſaw next day that his eye was black at the office: ſays I, you muſt go with me to the watch-houſe; and going along, the proſecutor put his hand into his pocket, and ſays he, he robbed me of 5s. I carried him to the watch-houſe, and he gave charge; and the proſecutor began to cry like a child, becauſe of loſing his money and hat; the priſoner ſaid to the proſecutor, when he came up to him, Is that your hat? No, ſays he, for you threw it to the other fellows: he ſaid at the watch-houſe he could not tell whether it was four or five ſhillings exactly; the priſoner ſaid he had no money about him; I did not ſearch him, nor ſee him ſearched.

JAMES BRYAN *ſworn.*

I am a labouring man: I was ſtanding at my own door, Church-ſtreet, St. Giles's, between twelve and one, Sunday night laſt; I ſaw three men about the proſecutor; I did not ſee him on the ground; I heard him crying murder, and the watchman ran out of his box, and two made off, and the priſoner made up towards me, as I ran acroſs the ſtreet; he ſeeing me, made back, and fell into the hands of the watchman; I don't know what became of the others; I came up to the watchman, and told him he was one of the men; I ſaw him making off, after murder was cried, but I did not ſee him about the man.

VALENTINE LUMBLY *ſworn.*

I am watch-houſe-keeper of St. Giles's; I was at the watch-houſe; the priſoner was brought before one o'clock; the proſecutor came with him, and ſaid he had robbed him of his hat and four ſhillings; that he had been knocked down, and beat a good deal, by three men; he appeared a good deal beat; I examined the priſoner, and to the beſt of my knowledge he had a ſhilling and ſome halfpence; the proſecutor did not own the ſhilling, he did not ſee it; I gave it to him again.

Priſoner. I was not ſearched in the watch-houſe; I had only three-pennyworth.

Lumbly. He was ſearched, upon my oath.

Priſoner. That is as falſe as can be ſworn.

Court to Proſecutor. Do you know what the reward is in this caſe?—They told me I ſhould be fined 40l. if I did not attend, and be put in gaol; and that I ſhould be paid back my expences, if I did attend; that is the whole.

Did you never hear of 40l. reward from the officers?—No, never.

PRISONER's DEFENCE.

I met this man in the ſtreet, and he ſpoke to me firſt, and he aſked me then if I would go and take a ſhare of a pint of beer with him; I told him I did not know him; he ſaid he knew my face very well, but he could not recollect where; then I told him I would go with him, and he brought me into a houſe in the Coal-yard, Drury-lane, and he called for a pot of beer; in the courſe of the time, theſe two young men came in, that he has ſpoke of, and they ſat down in another ſeat, almoſt oppoſite where we ſat, and this young man aſked them if they would not join us company; they ſaid they had no objection; we all ſat down in one ſeat together, and we had two pots more of beer, beſides the firſt pot; and after that we all went out of the houſe together; theſe young men I bid good night, and went away from them; juſt as I parted from them, they called me back again, and aſked me if I would come further with them, and drink more; I told them I would not, I wanted to go home; they ſaid I ſhould go; I ſaid I would not; ſo one of the young men took my hat off, and went away towards this man; and I followed them, to get my hat; and when I came up to this man, they put my hat on my head again; I turned about to go from them the ſecond time, and as ſoon as I turned about they knocked that man down.

Where was this?

Priſoner. In the coach-yard: he cried out; they ran away from him, and I went up towards him: when I came up towards him, he ſaid, you was one of the men that were with them that knocked me down; ſays he, I will call the watchman; ſo he called the watchman; and that gentleman there was ſtanding at his own door, and he came over; this was in the coach-yard; then the watchman came up, and this gentleman came over from his own door; and the watchman came up and had me; and when he came up to the man, he aſked him whether I was one of the men; he ſaid I was; and he ſtretched his hand acroſs the watchman's arm, and ſtruck me; the watchman aſked him how much he had loſt; he ſaid one ſhilling; and when he came to the watch-houſe he ſaid he had loſt five ſhillings.

Court to Watchman. You took him in Church-ſtreet?—I did: this coach-yard is a thoroughfare from Broad St. Giles's to Church-

Church-ſtreet, and ſome other places; there is a dark paſſage going through.

GUILTY, Death. (Aged 18.)

Tried by the ſecond Middleſex Jury before Mr. RECORDER.

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152. EDWARD M'CARTNEY and THOMAS GALWIN were indicted for feloniouſly ſtealing, on the 31ſt of January laſt, one ſilver table ſpoon, one ditto deſert ſpoon, and two ditto tea ſpoons, value 10s. the goods of Thomas Lewis, Eſq.

MICHAEL WATTS *ſworn.*

I am footman to Mr. Lewis; he lives in Gower-ſtreet, Bedford-ſquare; the ſpoons were loſt on Tueſday the 31ſt of January; I was going to put my ſhirt on in the back-room, and I heard ſomebody come in at the kitchen-door; I put on my waiſtcoat; I ſaw Thomas Galwin, and I aſked him what he wanted; he aſked whether there were any plaſterers at work; I ſaid, no; he aſked if it was not No. 36; I ſaid, no, and turned him up the area ſteps; my miſtreſs ſaw him, and aſked who he was; ſhe ſaid he was a thief, and ordered me to take care; I looked in the kitchen, and miſſed an old ſpoon; I went out and found my brother, and then we went into the fields, and ſaw the priſoners near the Duke of Bolton's; we ran after them, and took them in Southampton-row; I did not ſee M'Cartney till they were near the Duke of Bolton's; we ſearched him, and he had the ſpoons upon him; one is a table-ſpoon, the other is a deſert-ſpoon (produced); they are Mr. Lewis's ſpoons; I am ſure of it: he ſaid that a man gave them to him.

WILLIAM WATTS *ſworn.*

I am brother to the laſt witneſs; I was coming from the ſtable, and met my brother; he told me there had been thieves in the kitchen, and I aſked him which way they were gone; I purſued them, and took M'Cartney; I ſearched him, and found two ſpoons; we brought them back; my brother ſaid, as we have got the property, we may as well let them go; ſo away they went; and one of the maids then came up the area ſteps, and ſaid we have loſt two tea-ſpoons; I then called out, ſtop thief! and they were ſtopped again, and taken to the watch-houſe.

JAMES WEBB *ſworn.*

I keep a green-ſtall: on the 31ſt of January, about ten o'clock, I heard the cry of ſtop thief! I ſtood by my ſtall, and ſaw M'Cartney turn round; I ſaid, ſtop; I catched him by the collar; there were ſeveral people after him; I put my hand into his left-hand breeches pocket; there I found two ſilver tea-ſpoons, and a knife; he ſaid a tall man in a green coat had given them to him; I took him before Sir Laurence Cox.

(Two tea-ſpoons produced.)

Michael Watts. They are my maſter's ſpoons, they are in daily uſe; I had ſeen them in the morning; one of them is marked T. L.

PRISONER GALWIN's DEFENCE.

Pleaſe you, my Lord, as I was going up Gower-ſtreet, I met a plaſterer; I aſked him for a job; he ſaid I might go to No. 36, that the houſe was white-waſhing; I went there, and ſaw this gentleman; I met M'Cartney in Southampton-row.

Priſoner M'Cartney. This boy gave me the ſpoons.

THOMAS GALWIN, (Aged 14,) } GUILTY.

EDWARD M'CARTNEY, NOT GUILTY.

Tried by the ſecond Middleſex Jury before Mr. Juſtice GROSE.

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153. JOHN TOMLINSON was indicted for uttering, on the 31ſt of January, a counterfeit ſhilling, to William Moore.

Second Count, For having in his cuſtody and poſſeſſion another counterfeit ſhilling, againſt the ſtatute.

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WILLIAM MOORE *ſworn.*

I am a ſhopman of Meſſrs. Blyth, Alderſgate-ſtreet: on the 31ſt of January, the priſoner at the bar came to the ſhop, about ſeven in the evening; he addreſſed himſelf to me, and deſired to ſee ſome linen for ſhirts, and he paid me down 7s. I immediately knew them to be bad money; I ſhewed the money to Meſſrs. Blyth, and then ſent for a conſtable; when the conſtable came, I aſked him how he came by this money; he told me he had it in change for half-a-guinea; the conſtable ſearched him, every part, and at laſt he found three ſhillings, and two ſixpences, in his mouth; I ſaw them taken out; I wrapped the ſeven ſhillings in one paper, and the three ſhillings and two ſixpences in another, and delivered them to the conſtable.

Jury. Had he any other monies about him?—None.

LAZARUS JACOBS *ſworn.*

I am a conſtable: I ſearched the priſoner on the 3d of January, about ſeven in the evening; I aſked the priſoner if he offered theſe ſhillings, and ſearched him, and aſked him if he had any more about him; he ſaid no; I found nothing in his pockets, but I obſerved ſomething the matter with his mouth, and I told him to open his mouth, and he put out three ſhillings and two ſixpences; I took them, and put them ſeparate in a paper, and have kept them ever ſince. (Produced.) I produce alſo the ſeven ſhillings I took off the counter: they all appear to be bad.

JOHN CLARKE *ſworn.*

I have attended on this buſineſs twenty-three years; theſe ſeven ſhillings are all bad, moſt of them of the ſame manufactory: theſe three ſhillings and two ſixpences are counterfeit likewiſe.

Priſoner. I leave it with the gentlemen of the Jury to do juſt as they pleaſe: I have got two or three witneſſes.

JOHN THRUM *ſworn.*

I am a maſter butcher: I don't know what buſineſs he is now; he lived with me two years ago; then he was an honeſt lad, to the beſt of my knowledge.

GUILTY on both Counts.

Tried by the London Jury before Mr. RECORDER.

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154. DAVID JONES was indicted for feloniouſly ſtealing, on the 24th day of January laſt, two pounds and eleven ounces of pewter, called plate metal, value 14d. the goods of Henry and Richard Joſeph.

—— BREDALL *ſworn.*

I am foreman to the proſecutors; they are pewterers; the priſoner was an out-door labourer; I did not ſee him take the property; it was miſſed the 20th of January, laſt Friday, a little after eight in the evening; I was informed he came down directly, and went through the ſhop to go home; I ordered him to be called back; he denied having any metal; I told him he ſhould be ſearched; he then put his hand into his pocket, and gave me a piece of metal, two pounds and eleven ounces; the value of it is about 1s 9d. he ſaid he wanted it for his wife's purpoſe, to hammer leather upon; ſhe is a boot-cloſer; it is all one piece; it is here; I have kept it part of the time, and the conſtable has kept it the remainder; it is pewter plate metal.

ROBERT KEMP *ſworn.*

I work journey-work for Mr. Joſeph; I ſaw the priſoner take the metal; I believe he did not know I was in the room; I was concealed by my maſter's orders.

JOSEPH FOSTER *ſworn.*

I am a conſtable; I produce the metal; I received it from Bredall, and marked it directly.

Bredall. There is nothing in the houſe but what belongs to my maſter.

(The priſoner called four witneſſes to his character, three of whom ſpoke well of him,

him, but the fourth ſaid he was diſhoneſt.)

GUILTY. (Aged 47.)

Tried by the London Jury before Mr. RECORDER.

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155. WALTER WIGGINS and JOSEPH COOK were indicted for feloniouſly ſtealing, on the 21ſt of January, nine ſaws, two ploughs, twenty-one ſtocks and bits, and other tools, value 12 guineas, the property of William Bartlet and Thomas Ellis.

JOHN LARVY *ſworn.*

I am apprentice to Meſſrs. Walkers, carpenters and joiners, at Hampton-Wick: on Saturday, the 21ſt of January, between the hours of five and ſix, I left the work-ſhop ſafe, and left the ſhop in the uſual ſtate, and gave the keys into the houſe: on Sunday morning, when I came to the yard, about eight o'clock, the labourer Oſborne was working, and he ſaw ſome glaſs, and aſked me if the window was broke over night; on that we went and opened the ſhop, and found two cheſts of Thomas Ellis and William Bartlett's broke open, two journeymen belonging to my maſter; the door was open, and propped open by a mallet and chiſſel; it had been broke open firſt; we went and called the conſtable, and my maſter; we had ſuſpicion of Wiggins and Cook; they were both at the houſe of William Bartlett, on the Saturday, at Kingſton; almoſt all the men belonging to Meſſrs. Walker purſued them.

THOMAS OSBORNE *ſworn.*

I am ſervant to Meſſrs. Walker; I am a labourer: on the Sunday morning, the 22d of January laſt, I knocked at my maſter's door, and aſked for the keys of the yard, and went to the ſtables, and dreſſed two horſes; I perceived a pane and half a pane of glaſs, and ſeveral pieces, broken in the ſaſh-door of the ſhop; I went to the front door, and there I ſaw a train of ſhort boards laid in order to aſcend: I tried the lock of the door, and found that faſt: while I was looking, the apprentice came in, and he unlocked the lower ſhop door; and he went up ſtairs, and there was another, which ſeemed to be raiſed open by violence, propped open by the mallet and chiſſel; and he found the two cheſts of Thomas Ellis and William Bartlett broke open; and then the apprentice went and informed my maſter; we informed the men, and there was a purſuit; we all went different roads; I followed to Hounſlow for Wiggins, and came up with him at the Bell at Hounſlow; I found him in a private houſe, at the backſide of the Bell, at Hounſlow, in conſequence of an information; there was a baſket of tools by him; I aſked him if they were his property; he ſaid, yes; then I told him he muſt go along with me; I did not look into the baſket; he got up, and walked quietly with me, and I took the baſket and carried it to the reſt of my companions, who were with me; the baſket and the priſoner all went to Hampton, and were delivered to Blundell the conſtable, who examined it; the baſket was full of tools.

JOHN BLUNDELL *ſworn.*

I am a conſtable; I produce the tools put into my hands by the laſt witneſs; they have been in my poſſeſſion ever ſince; they were ſealed up at the magiſtrate's.

WILLIAM BARTLETT *ſworn.*

(Depoſed to a ripping ſaw, hand ſaw, tenon ſaw, and all the things in the indictment, and many things more not enumerated). They were all left in my cheſt on Saturday evening, locked up.

JAMES MACKING *ſworn.*

I purſued the priſoner Cook to Eſher, Sunday the 22d, between twelve and one, at the Queen's-head, about ſix miles from Hampton-Wick; I aſked him where he came from; he ſaid, between Richmond and Kingſton; I aſked him whether there was another young fellow with him in the morning; he ſaid, yes; I aſked him where he had parted from him; he ſaid at Hounſlow;

ſlow; I aſked him what ſort of a man, and he ſaid a young fellow with a black velvet cape; I told him I thought he was the man I was after, and told him he was a priſoner of mine; he had no tools with him; I charged a young fellow to take care, while I went for a conſtable; I went to Mr. Cook's houſe, and thought I might hear ſomething, and there I found the tools; and I left them there, and went for the conſtable, Mr. Clayton; and he took the priſoner into cuſtody, and he told me to go for the tools; I did, and brought them to Mr. Clayton's houſe; and Mr. Clayton aſked him if they were his tools; he ſaid, yes: Mr. Clayton took him, and coming by Mrs. Clayton's door, aſked Mrs. Cook whether they were all; ſhe ſaid, yes; I left them at Mr. Clayton's.

——— CLAYTON *ſworn.*

The tools were delivered to Mr. Walker before the juſtice.

WILLIAM WALKER *ſworn.*

I produce the tools delivered up to my poſſeſſion at the juſtice's: the dove-tail ſaw I lent to Thomas Ellis.

THOMAS ELLIS *ſworn.*

The things now produced are my property: a plough, hand ſaw, pannel ſaw, a ſaſh ſaw, one plough ſtock and bits, four mortice chiſſels, one draw-bore, &c.; they are all mine; the dove-tail ſaw and the wooden templets are Mr. Walker's; I left them in my cheſt on Saturday, at duſk.

MARTHA COOK *ſworn.*

On the 22d of January, Sunday morning, about nine o'clock, the priſoner Cook, at the bar, aſked for work; my huſband is a carpenter; I promiſed him work, and he left two baſkets of tools; and they were taken away by James Macking.

JOSEPH COOK's DEFENCE.

I went in with this young man, and he acquainted me that he had ſome tools in Mr. Walker's ſhop; and I went with him for theſe tools, to accompany him, as I had not any tools, and was out of employ; and I accompanied this young man, and he told me that they were his tools, and I had theſe tools of him; and then afterwards he acquainted me that he had left his tools in the ſhop, but they were locked up in Mr. Walker's workhouſe, or repoſitory, where he kept his tools; at laſt then I found out that theſe tools were not his; he gave me the tools; we had them together jointly, on Saturday evening; we did not go there with an intent to take any tools at all, but with an intent to lay there to ſleep, as we were out of lodgings, and could not get any at that time.

WALTER WIGGINS's DEFENCE.

I left Mr. Walker's ſhop between three and four, on Saturday; I carried my tools to one Mr. Talmarſh, at Kingſton; I left my tenon ſaw there for 3s. or 4s. I owed him: Mr. Walker gave me a job, and I was to go to work for him on Monday morning; and I aſked Mr. Walker if he would lend me half-a-crown, by leaving my tools there till Monday morning; ſays he, young man, go over to the King's-arms, and I ſhall have money when I come to pay my men; going over to the King's-arms, I ſaw this young man; he aſked me what trade I was; I told him I was a joiner and carpenter, and was going to work for Mr. Talmarſh; when he made anſwer, that he had been with Mr. Talmarſh that morning, and had got a job of my maſter; he came at night, and ſaid he had not been for a job at all, and told me he was not going to work for him at all; and he ſat down, and came into the room where all the journeymen were, and he drank a ſhare of eighteen or twenty pots of beer; when the reckoning was called for, he had no money to pay, and the landlord puſhed him out of doors; I helped to puſh him out myſelf; I being very much in liquor, this man met with me in the ſtreet, and took both my rule and walking-ſtick from me, and left me, and met with me again as I was going to Kingſton-Wick, and aſked me where I was going

ing; I told him; I thought my landlord was gone to bed; he told me he had no lodgings, and no money to pay for one; ſays I, I have got a trifle that my maſter gave me, I will give you 2d. to pay for a lodging, and 2d. to buy a pint of beer; after that, we went into Mr. Bartlett's, the Ship, and drank a pint of beer or two; this was about twelve o'clock, or a little after; and we parted at the Ship; and he met me again in Kingſton-Wick, after I had got over the bridge, between twelve and one; I lodged in Kingſton-Wick, and I told him my landlord was gone to bed; and when I came to Mr. Walker's gate, I could not get over, I was ſo much in liquor; Cook, being ſoberer than I was, got over, and helped me over; I went into the ſhop, and lay down, not where the tools were miſſing; and to the beſt of my knowledge, after we had been there about half an hour, I was rather cold, and Cook aſked me how many men Mr. Walker employed; I told him I did not know exactly, I had left him; he ſaid, was there any thing in the ſhop that I had of my property; I told him no, I had carried Mr. Talmarſh my property, all but one tenon ſaw, and that Mr. Walker had in his cuſtody for 3s. or 4s. that I owed him; he aſked me then if there was any thing that was ſerviceable to me; I told him I did not know of any thing, I had tools enough; and I being in liquor, he inveigled me to help carry the tools away; he gave me the tools over the gate.

Court to Mr. Walker. Had this man worked for you?—He had worked one day in two days; he was not to work for me on Monday.

JOSEPH COOK, (Aged 27,)
WALTER WIGGINS, (Aged 18,) } BOTH GUILTY.

Tried by the ſecond Middleſex Jury before Mr. Juſtice GROSE.

MISDEMEANOR.

156. ROBERT NORRIS was indicted for that he, in company with John Cooke, on the 27th of December, in the 31ſt year of his preſent Majeſty's reign, in the pariſh of Cobham, in the county of Kent, on Robert Lidden, an exciſe officer of our Lord the King, then on duty in ſeizing and ſecuring for the uſe of our Lord the King 17 gallons of foreign ſpirituous liquors, called geneva, which ſaid ſpirituous liquors were then liable to be ſeized by the ſaid Robert Lidden, and that he the ſaid Robert Norris on him the ſaid Robert Lidden, being then and there in the peace of our Lord the King, did make an aſſault, and did hinder, oppoſe, and obſtruct him in the execution of his duty, againſt the King's peace, and againſt the form of the ſtatute.

Two other Counts, charging him with the ſame offence, only varying the manner of ſtating the crime.

Mr. Schoen opened the indictment, and Mr. Fielding the caſe.

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WILLIAM RUDD *ſworn.*

(Examined by Mr. Fielding.)

I am an exciſe officer of Chatham; I was there on the 27th of December, in the year 1790, and I had an information of ſome goods going along the road: on the 27th of December I called upon Mr. Lidden, to go along with me to Ludgedown upon exciſe buſineſs; in my way thither I was informed that there were ſome run goods gone by, on aſſes; I deſired him to go with me; when we got to Cobham, we diſmounted our horſes, to endeavour to trace the foot of an aſs, which we did all the way to Norris's houſe; when I came up near the houſe, Norris was ſtanding near the ſtable, with the ſtable-door open, and an aſs ſtanding in the ſtable; Norris perceiving Mr. Lidden and myſelf making up towards the ſtable, ſhut to the door, and put his back againſt it; I told Norris we were exciſe officers, and we wanted to look into his ſtable, and that I had been informed of his having ſome run goods; Norris then endeavoured to prevent our going into the ſtable, and took up a large ſtick, with which he was going to ſtrike; but I took it from him, and threw it away.

Did he remove at all from the ſtable-door at the time he took up this ſtick?—The ſtick lay cloſe by the ſtable-door, it faſtened the ſtable-door; we then pulled Norris away from the ſtable-door, and the door flew open; we went into the ſtable, and found an aſs, and a little horſe, very dirty, with ſaddles on, ſuch as ſmugglers uſe, made purpoſely for the carrying half-ankers; ſaddles calculated to take a tub, and a ſling over; in the corner of the ſtable we found two half-ankers already ſlung in the ſling; I found they were geneva; I told Norris I would ſeize them, and he endeavoured to prevent my taking them away; Mr. Lidden then went into the houſe through a paſſage, the door being opened; Norris went to the further end of the ſtable, and took up a pitchfork, and drove it at me; I guarded off the blow and took hold of it, and took it from him; I then carried the half-ankers from the ſtable into an open yard, from the premiſes of Norris; Norris went into the houſe, where Jack was; he came out again, and brought out a gun, which he ſtruck me over the hand with in endeavouring to ſhoot; he went into the houſe a ſecond time, and returned ſoon afterwards with Long Jack, the perſon he had been aſking for; he then brought out a gun and a hanger; Norris brought them both out; the gun he kept in his own hand, and the hanger he gave to John; Norris then put the gun to Mr. Lidden's breaſt, ſwearing at the ſame time he would ſhoot him, Jack at the ſame time brandiſhing his ſword over his head.

How near was he to Lidden when he preſented this blunderbuſs to his breaſt?—Cloſe, and John at the ſame time brandiſhing his ſword over his head; Mr. Lidden then took out his piſtol, and held it at Norris, and they were both in the ſame ſituation for ſome time, Norris holding the gun at Mr. Lidden, and Mr. Lidden holding his piſtol at Norris; I then told Norris, that if he did ſhoot Lidden, I would inſtantly ſhoot him; I then took the half-ankers, and carried them into the lane, the public road, as I had brought them all out of the ſtable; Mr. Lidden, after ſome time, retreated backward into the lane from the yard, and Norris all the way continued pointing the gun at his breaſt; I then went to Norris, ſeeing Mr. Lidden in that dangerous ſituation, and told him, if he did not immediately take his gun away, I would ſhoot him; I then by force took the gun away from him, and threw it into the lane.

Jury. Was the gun charged?—I had not an opportunity to examine it, the priſoner and his wife were throwing ſtones at me ſo, to make me lay it down; Mr. Lidden then came and helped me to put the caſks up, and then they all three, the priſoner, his wife, and Long Jack, all came and threw a parcel of flint ſtones at us; Norris kept gathering ſtones for the other two, while we were loading the horſes; Norris or Long Jack, I cannot tell which of them, came and took away one of the half-ankers, and ran away with it; Mr. Lidden then fired his piſtol at Norris, but did not hit him.

Court.

Court. Did he fire with an intent to hit him?—He ſaid ſo; we then went to get on horſeback, to get away; and they all three, the priſoner, Long Jack, and his wife, came and threw ſtones at us again; the ſtones ſtruck us ſeveral times; we went on, and the ground goes on a deſcent, and they continued throwing ſtones till we were got out of their reach.

How ſoon after this did you prefer your indictment?—Some time in the next month.

Could you find any thing of the priſoner at that time?—No.

When was he apprehended?—I don't know.

Where did you firſt ſee him after this affair happened?—I ſaw him about ſix months ago.

Do you happen to know where he was apprehended?—He was apprehended at Graveſend.

Can you identify his perſon?—I can; I have no doubt.

Mr. Knowlys, Priſoner's Counſel. You had never ſeen him before that tranſaction?—No.

Do you know a man of the name of Robert Norris, of Graveſend?—I do not.

You don't know then that a man of the name of Robert Norris, of Graveſend, has abſconded himſelf?—I do not know that.

You ſaw this man on his being taken up?—I did.

From the time that this aſſault happened, till he was taken up, you did not ſee him?—I did not.

Which is about a year?—It is.

Mr. Fielding. You have no doubt at all of his being the perſon?—I am clear of it.

——— LIDDEN *ſworn.*

You are an exciſe officer?—Yes, I am. When I came up to the ſtable-door, Norris had put to the door, and put his back againſt it; we told him our buſineſs, and that we were exciſe officers, and had received ſome information of ſome goods on the road, and we had a ſuſpicion they were in there, and we wiſhed to look; he took up a ſtick, and ſaid we ſhould not; we took the ſtick from him; we pulled him away from the door, and the door came a little open; we pulled it quite open, and went in, and there were ſix caſks, a jack-aſs, and a little horſe, and two ſmugglers ſaddles, called loading-ſaddles; we told him that we ſeized them; he took up a ſtick, and was going to ſtrike us; I then went into the room adjoining, thinking there might be ſome more caſks, but I ſaw Long Jack, and I went immediately to my brother officer; he told me that Norris was going to run a pitchfork into him; we then got the tubs out of the ſtable into an open place, it was a green place that had been a farm-yard; then Norris came from the ſtable, and went to his wife into the houſe, and returned again with a gun, and preſented it to me, ſwearing he would ſhoot us.

How near was the muzzle of the gun to your breaſt?—He was at a diſtance then; he then returned, and came out again with Long Jack, Norris with the gun, and Long Jack with the hanger; they both came very cloſe to me, Norris ſwearing he would ſhoot me, and Long Jack ſwearing he would cut me down; I told them it was of no uſe, it was all in vain, and if they were not quiet I ſhould ſhoot them immediately; he ſaid I might ſhoot, and be damned; I preſented my piſtol; and Mr. Rudd then came and told Norris, if he did not immediately take his gun away, he would ſhoot him, and preſented his piſtol; and Mr. Rudd then came behind Norris, and took the gun from him; Norris then returned a little way back, where there were a great many flint ſtones; and Norris and his wife, and Long Jack, began to throw ſtones; and a little boy, who I believe was Norris's ſon, helped his father with the ſtones, and I was hit in ſeveral places; and I was hit in this hand, which made me unable to follow my buſineſs for ſome time; I then ſhot at Norris; I did not hit him; I aimed at his legs; I thought he would then be quiet.

How long did this laſt?—I ſuppoſe for four or five minutes: we were a long while getting the tubs, and during the time this hand was hurt, and Norris came and took

up one of the caſks, and ran into the houſe with it.

Are you ſure it was Norris that ran away with the caſk?—I am ſure it was Norris: we then got up as well as we could upon the horſes, and they followed us on the road; but we rode off pretty faſt, and got from them: I ſaw him ſeveral times ſince, but he was on horſeback, in Stroud; but I did not attempt to take him, becauſe I thought it was in vain: I am perfectly clear he is the man.

Mr. Knowlys. You indicted him, we underſtand, in January?—I believe it was in January.

You had a warrant againſt him?—In conſequence of that we had.

You ſaw him in Stroud afterwards?—I did; I ſaw him in Stroud.

Perhaps the Jury know that Stroud is a pretty large place; you gave no alarm when you ſaw this man?—It is impoſſible for a man on foot to take another on horſeback.

Did you give any alarm?—I did not.

Did you aſk any perſon to go with you after the man, and tell them that he was indicted?—I ſuppoſe he thought it was all dropped; and then he would be alarmed.

Is there no ſuch a thing as getting aſſiſtance in ſuch a publick town as Stroud?—No; where would he have been while I got aſſiſtance.

You did not make any attempt of that ſort?—I did not at that time; I had not got the warrant.

Where was the warrant got?—At Graveſend.

There was a Robert Norris at Graveſend?—I don't know.

Do not you know that a man of the name of Robert Norris had abſconded on your ſending down the warrant?—No.

(Mr. Knowlys addreſſed the Jury on the part of the Defendant.)

GUILTY. (Aged 42.)

Tried by the firſt Middleſex Jury before Mr. Juſtice ASHURST.

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The Trials being ended, the Court proceeded to paſs Sentence, as follows:

Received Sentence of Death, 7, viz.

Baker William — — 125
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Hardy Eſther Jane — — 107
Kenny James — — 151
Lewis John — — 113
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Wiltſhire Charles — — 112

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Barton Thomas — 126, 142
Burke Andrew — — 120
Collin William — — 141
Doudle John — — 108
Duff William — — 122
Glaſsby William — — 109
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M'Leane James — — 132
Nelſon Richard — — 116
Nicholls William — — 138
Nicklin William — — 118
Pendall William — — 109
Shaw Shadrach — — 136
Vaughan Edward — — 138
Vinney George — — 108
Watts William — — 140
Whitmore Robert — — 109
Wilſon Thomas — — 124

To be impriſoned 18 Months, 1, viz.

Robert Norris.

To be impriſoned Twelve Months, 19, viz.

Simon Samuel, John Tomlinſon, David Jones, Phebe Horn, Joſeph Cooke, Walter Wiggins, Catherine Dunbar (fined 1s.), Elizabeth Bates (fined 1s.), Mary Patten (fined 1s.).

To be impriſoned Six Months, 3, viz.

Robert Ayres (fined 1s.), Thomas Harrod, John Ravenhill.

To be impriſoned One Month, 1, viz.

Sarah Pearce (fined 1s.)

To be impriſoned One Week, 1, viz.

William Smith.

To be Whipped, 11, viz.

Richard Warren, Peter Millar, Thomas Price, Thomas Wyatt, Edward Moulton, Thomas Weſt, George Harris, John Simmons, David Jones, William Smith, John Ravenhill.

Mary Smith and Mary Thompſon, who were under orders for Tranſportation, were put to the bar, and the former ordered to be impriſoned Seven Months, the latter Six Months.

The following Convicts (Reſpites) were put to the Bar, and informed that his Majeſty had been graciouſly pleaſed to extend to them his Royal Mercy, on condition of their being tranſported during the Term of their natural Lives.

John Herbert
John Simpſon
Thomas Jones (Refuſed)
Thomas Playter
Thomas Collins
Benjamin Coleman, alias Coburne
Francis Sennett
George Clarke
Benjamin Carver
William Underwood, alias Whitaker
Samuel Young
William Walker
William Davis, alias Robert Hudſon
Elizabeth Powell
John Chilton
William Malen
John Auſtin
James Oliver
William Foot.

N. B. *Jones*, on the uſual queſtion, "Will you accept of his Majeſty's mercy, on condition of being tranſported for the term of your natural life?" refuſed, and declared he would rather die than go to ſea to be ſtarved to death; hereupon Mr. Recorder cautioned the priſoner, and adviſed a ſpeedy alteration of his obſtinate reſolve, by obſerving to him, that he might expect a ſpeedy execution of his former ſentence, if he perſiſted in his obſtinacy. He was taken from the bar, and brought up after the buſineſs of the Court was ſettled; he ſtill continuing obſtinate, was remanded to his former ſentence, and to be confined in a ſolitary cell.

The next Seſſion will begin on Wedneſday, the 29th of March, at the Old Bailey.

ERRATUM.—In the Title of the Judges, &c. Part I. of this Seſſion, after the words "Recorder of the ſaid City," read "JOHN SILVESTER, Eſq; Common Serjeant at Law of the ſaid City."

THE

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London Jury.	*Firſt Middleſex Jury.*	*Second Middleſex Jury.*
William Taybor	Thomas Briggs	Thomas Howe
Robert Burch	Samuel Towſeland	Henry Sexton
John Morphey	Edward Weſtmore	James Leader
William Smart	John Bagſhaw	Samuel Head
James Whitefield	Stephen Briggs	Chriſtopher Glover
James Fiſher	John Powell	Stephen Collins
Richard Jackſon	William Jee	Daniel Saunders
George Robinſon	William Feltwell	John Allen
Samuel Hale	William Colſher	William King
Benjamin Hall	Thomas Collett	William Bayliſs
William Brownſon	Thomas Church	Samuel Cock
William Reeve.	Thomas Eſſex.	Charles Burgeſs.

157. JOHN FERGUSSON (a Black) was indicted for that he, on the 2d day of March, 10 lb. of lead, of the goods and chattels of James Mitchell, did rip and cut, with intent to ſteal, againſt the ſtatute.

JAMES MITCHELL *ſworn.*

We have a rope-ground; John Mavor and William Moffat are intereſted in the walk; it is near Limehouſe-hole; it is covered with tiles; over this rope-ground there is a road runs at right angles; on the right-

hand, as you paſs the road, is a building called the rigging-houſe, the gable-ends are eight feet high: when I came home, the priſoner was in cuſtody: I examined the premiſes on the 3d of March, and found the lead ripped from the two gutters between the rigging-houſe and rope-houſe, not taken away; it was ripped from the nailing, and left there, and two marks of a knife; the tiles were taken off, and a hole made in the roof of the buildings.

GEORGE SCATES *ſworn.*

I am foreman to Meſſrs. Mitchell and Co.: I was going down their premiſes; I heard the tiles rattle; I ſtepped out a little, and ſaw the priſoner taking the tiles off; I waited ſome time; next morning I ſearched, and found the lead ripped; there were two or three feet ripped from the nails; I cannot tell the weight of the lead.

A WITNESS *ſworn.*

I was coming from the water-ſide; I heard there was a thief; I was ſet to watch him; I ſaw him laying in the gutter; I watched him till he dropped through the hole; then he came towards the gate, and I took him.

THOMAS HEBTHORPE *ſworn.*

Corroborated the teſtimony of the laſt witneſs.

GUILTY. (Aged 30.)

Tried by the firſt Middleſex Jury before Lord KENYON.

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158. JAMES METCALFE was indicted for feloniouſly ſtealing, on the 24th day of February laſt, five ſilver caſter tops, value 5s. five ſilver table-ſpoons, value 3l. the goods of William Tovey; and two ſilver tea-ſpoons, value 2s. the goods of Ann Bolton; in the dwelling-houſe of the ſaid William Tovey.

WILLIAM TOVEY *ſworn.*

On Friday, the 24th of February laſt, I was ſitting at tea, about five o'clock, and had occaſion to go into the yard; I ſaw the priſoner coming out of the parlour; I ſaid, What do you do here? He ſaid he wanted Mr. Jones, the watchmaker; I ſaid, you are a thief, and I took him by the collar, and put him into the parlour; I ſearched him, and ſomething fell from him; he knelt down and aſked pardon, and ſaid, that is all I got; I ſaw a ſilk and cotton handkerchief of my wife's.

ANN BOLTON *ſworn.*

I ſaw the priſoner coming out of the parlour; he dropped the caſter tops into a baſket; I ſaw him feeling about the pockets of his coat, and he dropped a handkerchief; I picked it up, and he dropped on his knees.

(Another witneſs corroborated this account.)

JOSEPH BANKS *ſworn.*

I was at work at Mr. Tovey's; I was called down ſtairs: he was on his knees, and I fetched a conſtable; he ſaid that was all he had got.

JOHN GOOCH *ſworn.*

I went into the parlour for ſome tea-ſpoons juſt before the alarm, not five minutes before the alarm; the things were all ſafe.

GUILTY of ſtealing to the value of 5s. only.

Tried by the firſt Middleſex Jury before Lord KENYON.

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159. THOMAS WHITE was indicted for feloniouſly ſtealing, on the 20th of February laſt, two pieces of gold, called guineas, value 42s. the property of John Holliday, Eſq; in his dwelling-houſe.

JOHN HOLLIDAY *ſworn.*

On the 13th of February, the Monday preceding the 20th, I found a deficiency in ſome caſh: on Monday the 20th I found four guineas taken from fifteen; I ſuſpected this poor lad, who, I am ſorry to ſay, has had

had bad adviſers; the priſoner was a ſervant to my clerk, who ſlept at my chambers; I took down the dates of ten old guineas; one of thoſe found on him anſwered the date; there were only two guineas found, which were taken on the 20th; the priſoner was full of tears, and ſaid little to me.

HENRY SILVERLOCK *ſworn.*

I am clerk to Mr. Holliday: I called up the boy, who lived with me as a ſervant about two years and a half; on my taxing him with it, he pulled out a key, which opened the lock; I aſked him what he had done with all the money he had taken; he ſaid it was up ſtairs; I went up, and found two guineas, eight ſhillings, and ſome copper, which he confeſſed was part of what he took out of Mr. Holliday's deſk.

Court. Was any thing ſaid to him?—I ſaid, tell the truth; the only way for you to find mercy is to tell the truth; he ſaid he was tempted to do it.

Court. Then we muſt not hear what he ſaid after that.

Silverlock. I do not know the guineas.

Depoſed to by *Mr. Holliday.* I did not make any marks on the gold any further than taking down the dates.

Court. That is rather vague.

Mr. Holliday. It is rather vague? I do not wiſh to preſs it: one of thoſe guineas correſponded with the date I took down.

Priſoner. I have nothing to ſay; I was perſuaded to do it by an old man; he ſaid there was no harm in it, and I thought no harm: I have no witneſſes but my maſter.

GUILTY, 39*s.*

Tried by the firſt Middleſex Jury before Mr. Baron HOTHAM.

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160. RICHARD JONES was indicted for ſtealing, on the 12th of March, two pair of ſilk ſtockings, value 10*s.* one pair of cotton ſtockings, value 2*s.* one ſilk handkerchief, value 2*s.* and two muſlin cravats, value 3*s.* the property of James Summerſet.

JAMES SUMMERSET *ſworn.*

I am a linen-draper; the priſoner was my ſhopman from the 23d of January to the 12th of March, when I loſt my property: before I diſcharged him, I ſent for an officer to ſearch his box, and we found therein the things mentioned in the indictment; the box was in a garret in my houſe; the priſoner was preſent at the ſearch; he made no reſiſtance, or excuſe, to my recollection; the things have my ſhop-mark on them; I am clear they are mine.

EDWARD TREADWAY *ſworn.*

I am the officer; I ſearched his box; the key was in it; he opened it directly, and the things in the indictment were found.

PRISONER's DEFENCE.

I have been in buſineſs for myſelf, in Glamorganſhire, and I kept a few things by me, and theſe were part of them; Mr. Summerſet frequently ſent goods into the country, and theſe might have been brought there with his mark on them.

GUILTY.

Tried by the firſt Middleſex Jury before Lord KENYON.

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161. ELIZABETH TERRY was indicted for ſtealing, on the 7th of March, one ſilk gown, value 10*s.* two muſlin aprons, value 10*s.* two pair of cotton ſtockings, value 6*s.* one calico ſhawl, value 7*s.* a ſilk bonnet, value 5*s.* and a calico gown, value 10*s.* the property of William Rounding.

WILLIAM ROUNDING *ſworn.*

I keep a public-houſe, the Dover-caſtle, Green-ſtairs, Rotherhithe; the priſoner was my ſervant; on the 7th of March, in the morning, about ſix, ſhe was gone; I purſued her to Petty-France; ſhe was found; I ſaw her in cuſtody; and the things in the indictment, which were loſt, were found upon her by Sarah Kirkman.

SARAH

SARAH KIRKMAN *ſworn.*

I was preſent at the finding the goods; I ſtopped them on the priſoner, and ſent for a conſtable; ſhe came to me on Monday morning, at half paſt ſeven, to aſk for Elizabeth Mitchell; ſhe was out of breath, a bundle in her hand, and a bonnet looſe, and no hat or cloak on; ſhe ſaid the property was her own; I have kept it ever ſince.

(The things depoſed to by the proſecutor and his wife.)

(The priſoner called two witneſſes to her character.)

GUILTY.

Tried by the firſt Middleſex Jury before Lord KENYON.

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162. JOHN CLACK was indicted for ſtealing, on the 10th of March, 24 lb. weight of ſealing-wax, value 24s.; 150 pieces of tape, value 12s.; 500 quills, value 12s.; and 700 pens, value 6s. the property of William Mount, Sarah Page, Thomas Page, and James Davidſon.

A ſecond Count, Stating it to be the property of William Mount, Thomas Page, and James Davidſon.

A third Count, Stating it to be the property of William Mount and James Davidſon.

JAMES DAVIDSON *ſworn.*

William Mount, Sarah Page, Thomas Page, and me, are partners; I live in Poſtern-row, Tower-hill; I loſt the things in the indictment on the 10th of March; the priſoner, who is a hair-dreſſer, at ſeven in the morning, when he had dreſſed my hair, being informed by our porter he had ſome ſealing-wax, I taxed him with it; he ſaid nothing; I took 2 lb. of wax out of his pocket; he ſaid nothing. (Produced, and depoſed to.) I ſaw at his houſe a large quantity of tape, and quills and pens, as in the indictment; they are here; I can ſwear to ſeveral of the articles; they are exactly the ſort we uſe; but the wax is from our manufacturer's.

THOMAS ATWELL *ſworn.*

I am porter to the proſecutors: on the 10th of March, Clack came into the ſhop; I ſuſpected him, and miſſed 2 lb. of wax, which was found in his pocket; I believe theſe are them.

JOSEPH WEST *ſworn.*

I took the priſoner, and found this property, which the proſecutor owned.

Priſoner. My lawyer is not here; I have no witneſſes at preſent; I did not know of my trial coming on till ten minutes ago.

GUILTY. (Aged 27.)

Tried by the firſt Middleſex Jury before Mr. Baron HOTHAM.

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163. JAMES NOBLE was indicted for ſtealing, on the 16th of January laſt, one ſilver watch, value 25s. a metal ſeal, value 6d. two guineas and five ſhillings, in monies numbered, the property of John Oldfield.

JOHN OLDFIELD *ſworn.*

I live with the Rt. Hon. Lord Douglas: on the 15th of January laſt I went into the houſe to lunch; I came back, and miſſed my watch; I left it in my clothes, up ſtairs, in my bed-room; I could hear nothing of it; the priſoner was a helper in the ſtables; we could not find him; I miſſed my money afterwards, which was two guineas and ſome ſilver; I do not ſay the priſoner is guilty; I purſued him no further.

JOHN WILTSHIRE *ſworn.*

On Monday morning, the 16th of January, this *ſaid* man went into a publick-houſe, and the landlord of the houſe ſent to me on ſuſpicion; I ſearched the priſoner, and found one guinea and a half in gold, 3s. and 5¼d. and the watch; the conſtable took the watch.

CHARLES HEATH *ſworn.*

I was preſent at the ſearch; I ſaw the

watch found in the priſoner's pocket, and the money; I have it here.

(Depoſed to.)

Priſoner. I beg for mercy.

GUILTY.

Tried by the firſt Middleſex Jury before Lord KENYON.

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164. ROBERT BELLAMY was indicted for ſtealing, on the 3d of March, eleven pewter plates, value 10s. and two pewter diſhes, value 4s. the property of Thomas Mitchell.

Mrs. MITCHELL *ſworn.*

I am wife of Thomas Mitchell; he keeps a publick-houſe on Great Tower-hill: on the 3d of March, the priſoner came into my houſe and went backward into the kitchen, and I loſt eleven plates and two diſhes; they are my huſband's property; I can ſwear to them.

WILLIAM COLE *ſworn.*

I was ſervant at Mr. Mitchell's; I had been out with beer, and coming back I caught the priſoner out of the doors with only this diſh in his hand; it was the 3d of March, about nine at night; he was ſtanding againſt a watch-houſe; I paſſed him, and returned, and ſaw him peeping after me round the watch-box; I went on the ſide of him, and ſaw him with the diſh in his hand; I aſked him what he had; he ſaid, nothing; he dropped the diſh; I took him into the houſe, and there were eleven plates and two diſhes miſſing.

PRISONER's DEFENCE.

I went backwards, and the diſh was lying in the yard; about a fortnight afterwards, they took me up for the robbery.

Court. What was the reaſon you did not apprehend him at the time?—While I was gone for a conſtable, he abſconded.

GUILTY. (Aged 18.)

Tried by the firſt Middleſex Jury before Lord KENYON.

165. WILLIAM ASKEW was indicted for ſtealing, on the 10th of March, two ſilver butter-ladles, value 20s. the property of Robert Metham.

ROBERT METHAM *ſworn.*

I keep a goldſmith's ſhop, in Cheapſide; my ſhop has two counters; on the 10th of March the priſoner came into the ſhop, between twelve and one, dreſſed in other clothes, pretty decent; I had a quantity of plate on my right-hand counter, and had juſt cleaned a pair of butter-boats, and put them on the left-hand counter; he aſked for a pair of ſilver knee-buckles; I ſaw, by his appearance, that he was a little pick-pocket; I told him to get out, that I had none for him; the ladles lay on a piece of leather that I had cleaned them with, and he huſtled out the ladles and leather, and I walked after him; he dropped the leather at the door, and in his boſom was the pair of ladles; I brought him back again; as he came in at the door, he put them down on the counter; ſays he, I have not got them, I did not take them.

GUILTY.

Tried by the London Jury before Lord KENYON.

Court to Priſoner. This is a very early period of life for you to come to this ſituation; it is not from any merit in you, but in compaſſion to your tender years, and in hopes that your morals may be corrected, that the judgement of the Court is, that you be privately whipped, and delivered: Remember now, with gratitude and feeling, the mercy that is ſhewn you, and do that which can only be of uſe to you, in future behave with honeſty.

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166. THOMAS HOLMES was indicted for ſtealing, on the 24th of March, three braſs candleſticks, value 7s. and one copper coffee-pot, value 8d. the property of Richard Duffield.

RICHARD

RICHARD DUFFIELD *ſworn.*

I live at the corner of Darkhouſe-lane; I loſt the things in the indictment on the 24th of March, from out of the kitchen; ours is a publick-houſe; I took the priſoner with them, coming down ſtairs, with the coffee-pot in his breeches (the kitchen was up ſtairs), and the candleſticks in his pockets. (Depoſed to.)

——— WHEELER *ſworn.*

I am the conſtable; I have had theſe things ever ſince.

GUILTY.

Tried by the London Jury before Mr. Baron HOTHAM.

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167. JOHN COLE was indicted for ſtealing, on the 16th of March, one leather pocket-book, value 1s. the property of John Long.

JOHN LONG *ſworn.*

The priſoner gave me a joſtle, and took my pocket-book out of my fob, about ten paces from the end of Bread-ſtreet, on Friday, the 16th of March, about a quarter before one at noon; I paſſed him; then he paſſed me; I diſcovered it in the moment, both felt and ſaw him; after purſuing him a few paces, I was rudely knocked down; notwithſtanding which, I kept ſight of the object, and he was taken; he was not ſearched; I apprehended he handed the book to ſome other perſon.

Mrs. Knowlys, Priſoner's Counſel. Nobody was with this young lad at all?—I ſaw him and another man walking.

JOHN SAVAGE *ſworn.*

The priſoner came into our warehouſe about one, on the day Mr. Long mentions; I aſked him his pleaſure; he ſaid, Mr. Tomkyns; Mr. Long came in, with his face all over blood; he ſaid he was recommended to Mr. Tomkyns, but did not know by whom, nor for what.

Priſoner. I leave it to my counſel.

(The priſoner called one witneſs, who gave him a very good character, and ſaid he would take him again.)

GUILTY.

To be privately whipped, and delivered to his maſter.

Tried by the London Jury before Lord KENYON.

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168. JOHN DUFORT was indicted for ſtealing, on the 13th of March, one pair of men's leather boots, value 4s. the property of Mary Field, widow.

MARY FIELD *ſworn.*

I am a widow; I loſt a pair of boots laſt Wedneſday was a fortnight; I had them to clean from a gentleman in Ruſſel-court; I do not know who took them; the priſoner was ſtanding juſt by Catherine-court, where I ſit; I never found them; I believe it was about four, I cannot rightly ſay; he ſtaid there while I cleaned the pair of boots, and while I cleaned a pair of ſhoes and buckles; he aſked me what it was; I ſaid, a penny; I hung up the boots; I began to clean the buckles, and the boots were gone; the priſoner ran up Bridges-ſtreet; a gentleman purſued him, and caught him.

DUNCAN CAMPBELL *ſworn.*

About three, on the 13th inſtant, I was going through Vinegar-yard; there was a call of ſtop thief! the priſoner alſo called ſtop thief! I ſaw a little parcel drop, which could not be the boots; it was picked up by a perſon whom I ſuppoſed to be a Jew; I ſtopped the priſoner; I found nothing upon him.

WILLIAM SPARKES (a little Boy) *ſet to the Bar.*

Court. Do you know the nature of an oath?—Yes.

What is it?—It is taking the book in my hand, and kiſſing it.

Well, and then, after you have taken the book, and kiſſed it, if you do not ſpeak the truth,

truth, what is the conſequence?—I ſhall go to hell, Sir.

BENJAMIN SPARKES *ſworn.*

I ſaw the priſoner and another man together, and I ſaw the priſoner take the boots and give them to the other man, and the other man ran away, and the priſoner ran up Vinegar-yard, and there were ſome people ſtanding, and he ſaid, clear the road! clear the road! I am ſure the priſoner is the man.

WILLIAM COOK *ſworn.*

I apprehended the priſoner; I found nothing on him.

PRISONER's DEFENCE.

I never touched the boots; I am a gardener; the boy ſaid then he did not know who took them; the conſtable knows that.

Court to Cook. Did you hear the boy ſay ſo, or the woman?—No, I did not.

Priſoner. I never thieved a ſhilling in my life, nor had a pennyworth laid to my charge before.

GUILTY. (Aged 26.)

Tried by the ſecond Middleſex Jury before Mr. Baron HOTHAM.

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169. THOMAS THORNTON was indicted for ſtealing, on the 22d day of March, two linen ſhirts, value 4s. and one linen handkerchief, value 6d. the property of Robert Rayner.

RACHAEL RAYNER *ſworn.*

I am wife of Robert Rayner; he is a gentleman's ſervant; I take in waſhing; I loſt two ſhirts, and one handkerchief, the 22d of March, off the rails in the garden; I ſaw them about ten minutes before, or hardly ſo much; the priſoner was taken; I never ſaw him on the premiſes; the things are mine; they belong to Mr. Wigley, in Portland-ſtreet; I had them to waſh.

WILLIAM BARRINGER *ſworn.*

I was out gathering ſome pots; I ſaw the man run through a hedge from Mrs. Rayner's, and acroſs a field; I aſked him what buſineſs he had in the fields ſcambling the hedges down; he ſaid, there was no road; then ſome more people were after him; I ran and jumped over a river, and he ran back, and he was taken; I was a hundred yards behind; nothing was found on him.

JOHN RUDD *ſworn.*

I took the priſoner; I was walking in the fields, and was informed what he had done; before I took him I ſaw him throw the two ſhirts and handkerchief out of his pocket; the man that picked them up is not here; he was taken in about half an hour, about a mile off; he did not go half a dozen yards after he threw the things away; I can ſay they are the ſame things he drop; I ſaw them taken up directly (theſe are the ſame); I marked them.

MARY DARK *ſworn.*

I ſaw the priſoner take a ſhirt off the pales; I gave the alarm.

PRISONER's DEFENCE.

I came out of the country for work, and going through this little village (Bayſwater) I ſaw ſome people running after ſomebody, and I ſtopped, and they ran up to me and took me, and *chaſtiſed* me with it; I have no witneſſes.

GUILTY.

Tried by the ſecond Middleſex Jury before Mr. Baron HOTHAM.

Court. Where do you come from?—Droitwich, in Worceſterſhire.

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170. JANE VINCENT was indicted for ſtealing, on the 8th of March, one linen ſheet, value 3s. the property of William James.

ELIZABETH JAMES *ſworn.*

I am wife of the proſecutor; he lives in Church-ſtreet; he loſt a ſheet, the 8th of March, from off a bed in our houſe; there was nobody up ſtairs but the priſoner, who came

came to lodge that night; we took in lodgers; I had other lodgers; ſome time after, the duplicate of this ſheet was found on the priſoner.

HENRY LLOYD *ſworn.*

Produces the ſheet, received of the priſoner, on the 8th of March, for 3s. 6d. it was the firſt time I ever ſaw her; I believe her to be rather an unfortunate woman. (Depoſed to.) The conſtable found the duplicate in her pocket.

Priſoner. The ſheet belonged to myſelf; there is no mark upon it.

Mrs. James. I have no mark, but I know it by my making.

GUILTY.

Tried by the ſecond Middleſex Jury before Lord KENYON.

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171. JOHN ROWE was indicted for ſtealing, on the 20th of February laſt, one linen ſhirt, value 5s. one muſlin cap, value 12d. and one linen handkerchief, value 2s. the property of Elizabeth Roberts, widow.

ELIZABETH ROBERTS *ſworn.*

I live at Clerkenwell workhouſe: on the 20th of February I loſt the things mentioned in the indictment; I was going up Baldwin's-gardens with my property, and the priſoner attacked me; he ſnatched the bundle from under my arm, and ran away.

LAZARUS LAZARUS *ſworn.*

I heard ſomebody cry, ſtop that boy; I ſtopped him.

Priſoner. I heard the cry of ſtop thief! and I ran, and they took me.

(The priſoner called two witneſſes to his character.)

GUILTY.

Tried by the firſt Middleſex Jury before Lord KENYON.

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172. SAMUEL STEVENS was indicted for that he, on the 23d day of March, with a certain offenſive weapon and inſtrument, called a claſp knife, which he in his right-hand then and there had and held, on John Petrie unlawfully, maliciouſly, and felonioufly, did make an aſſault, with intent to rob him.

JOHN PETRIE *ſworn.*

I am a labourer; I work for a corn-dealer: laſt Friday, the 23d of March, between eight and nine at night, I was going home to my lodging in Cheney's-mews; the priſoner ſtopped me in the road leading from the Duke of Bolton's to Gower-ſtreet; he came up to me with a great claſped knife, and ſaid he would have my life or my money; I firſt paſſed him, and he returned and laid hold of me; a ſcuffle enſued, and I tried to beat the knife out of his hand; he tried to cut my throat; when he firſt came up, I told him he ſhould not have my money; he laid hold of both my arms; I never loſt ſight of him till he was taken; there were no lamps at the place; the knife was in his hand when he was taken; I am ſure I never loſt ſight of him.

JOHN HUNTLEY *ſworn.*

I am an officer in the cuſtoms: laſt Friday I was returning from Somers'-town; we heard the cry of ſtop thief! we were alarmed; I met the proſecutor, and he ſaid, for God's ſake, help me; here is a man wants to murder me; the priſoner was ſo near, he muſt have heard him; the priſoner was ſtooping very low, or lying down; I jumped over the rail, and purſued him; he had a knife in his hand; I *drove* him till I came to the Duke of Bolton's rails; then I caught him by the collar; then he ſaid, d—n your e—s, you b——r, I have no money, what do you want of me? thoſe were the words he *repeated*; Brown the patrol then came up and helped me.

JOHN BROWN *ſworn.*

I ſaw the priſoner at the Duke of Bolton's rails; one of the Duke's chairmen took this knife (produces a claſp knife) from him; I am ſure it is the ſame knife that was taken from the priſoner.

HUGH O'DONNELL *ſworn.*

Corroborated the teſtimony of the laſt witneſs.

Priſoner. I never was in the fields that night, or did I ever ſee that knife before to-night.

GUILTY. (Aged 25.)

Tried by the firſt Middleſex Jury before Mr. RECORDER.

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173. CECILIA WATERS was indicted for ſtealing, on the 4th of February laſt, two linen ſhifts, value 2s. a linen ſhirt, value 12d. and a pair of ſilver ſhoe-buckles, value 5s. the property of James Barker.

ANN BARKER *ſworn.*

I am wife to the proſecutor; I am a laundreſs, and employed the priſoner to work for me; we live at No. 5, in the New-road.

MARY FROGLEY *ſworn.*

I work for the laundreſſes: the priſoner gave me two tickets; I had heard that Mrs. Barker had loſt two ſhifts, and I carried the tickets to Mrs. Barker directly; the priſoner was once a laundreſs herſelf; I have worked for her.

——— WARD *ſworn.*

I am a pawnbroker; I produce two ſhifts; I received them from the priſoner. (Produces the ſhifts.)

Mrs. Barker. I received two tickets from Mary Frogley; one of theſe ſhifts is mine; another belongs to a lady; the mark is nearly out.

Priſoner. I have nothing at all to ſay.

GUILTY. (Aged 31.)

Tried by the firſt Middleſex Jury before Mr. RECORDER.

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174. HARRIET WRAY was indicted for feloniouſly aſſaulting Lawrence Goodwin, on the king's highway, on the 13th of March, and putting him in fear, and feloniouſly taking from his perſon and againſt his will, one ſilver watch, value 5cs. one braſs watch key, value 1d. one man's hat, value 1s. a muſlin neck-cloth, value 2s. a pocket handkerchief, value 6d. a pair of gloves, value 2d. a penknife, value 6d. one guinea and two ſhillings, in monies, numbered, his property.

LAWRENCE GOODWIN *ſworn.*

I am a taylor. On the 11th of March, Sunday, I went to dinner at an acquaintance's in Stanhope-ſtreet: we drank rather freely: coming home through Great Ruſſel-ſtreet I met the priſoner: it was about eight in the evening: there were two others with her; they pulled me about, and took my watch: the priſoner was one who laid hold of me; ſhe was the firſt; one of the others took my hat off; and I laid hold of the priſoner; then one of them came and ſtuck her nails into my hand. I ſaw the things mentioned in the indictment when I left the Crown: I could not ſwear who took my hat, but I know the priſoner took my watch; ſhe had faſt hold of me by the breaſt: they threw me down off the pavement, and ran off: I have ſeen the priſoner ſeveral times in Ruſſel-ſtreet, but never ſpoke to her before: the priſoner might aſk me for ſomething to drink, but I cannot ſay whether ſhe did or not: I am poſitive ſhe is the perſon: I am not miſtaken. On the Monday following I went to Mr. Gaſtrell, and informed him: we went, and he found her in a cellar in King's-head-court, Gray's-inn-lane.

Court. Did not Gaſtrell tell you there was a reward?—No.

Don't you know there is a reward?—No.

Have you ever found your watch?—The pawnbroker has got it: I know my watch; 225 is the number, and the maker's name is Benjamin Ronmall.

ROGER GASTRELL *ſworn.*

The proſecutor called upon me and gave me an information of the robbery; I went after

after the girl, and found her in a deplorable ſtate; ſhe ſaid, you are come about the watch; I told her ſhe had better tell the truth: ſhe ſaid the watch was pawned in Wild-ſtreet, at Collins's: I went to the pawnbroker's, and found the watch, and made him bring the watch to Bow-ſtreet: this duplicate (produces a duplicate) I found in Cockpit-alley.

ANN SMITH *ſworn.*

The priſoner came to my houſe and aſked for a lodging. I keep a lodging-houſe, No. 7, Cockpit-alley, Drury-lane. I told her I could not truſt her; ſhe ſaid ſhe would pawn ſomething on Monday morning; I let her ſtay; and accordingly on Monday ſhe produced a watch, and ſaid ſhe had two children by a young man, and had got his watch to pawn, and deſired me to get it pawned for a guinea, which I did, at Collins's: the girl came to my houſe on Sunday laſt was fortnight: I delivered the duplicate to Gaſtrell on Monday: ſhe came back on the Thurſday before, and ſaid ſhe had not broke her faſt for two days, and I rather took pity *over her*, and lent her two ſhillings, and let her go to bed, and ſhe let me have the duplicate of the watch.

RICHARD ROZELL *ſworn.*

I produce a ſilver watch; it was pawned by Ann Smith; I have kept it ever ſince. (Produced and depoſed to by the proſecutor.)

PRISONER's DEFENCE.

Pleaſe you, my lord. This gentleman aſked me to take him home; I did; and when he got there he ſaid he did not like to go up ſtairs, becauſe he was a married man, and was known in the neighbourhood; he was very much in liquor; and he gave me three ſhillings and ſixpence, to have connections with me in the paſſage; when I went to go out I kicked ſomething; I ſtooped to pick it up, and what ſhould it be but a watch; that is all that I know about it.

Proſecutor. There is not a word of truth in her defence.

GUILTY of ſtealing, but not violently from the perſon.

Tried by the firſt Middleſex Jury before Mr. RECORDER.

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175. WILLIAM BELLAMY was indicted for ſtealing, on the 26th of February, one ſilver ſalt, value 2s. the property of Denham Baron.

DENHAM BARON *ſworn.*

I belong to the Victualling-office. I live in Thornhaugh-ſtreet, Bedford-ſquare. I miſſed a ſilver ſalt cellar about nine on Sunday morning.

ELIZABETH YEATES *ſworn.*

I am nurſe to Mr. Baron's child. My maſter loſt a ſilver ſalt about nine o'clock on Sunday morning; it was on the ſide-board that morning, in the front parlour. The priſoner came from Mr. Burgeſs, No. 3, Upper Brook-ſtreet, Groſvenor-ſquare, with his compliments to my maſter, and deſired to meet him before twelve o'clock that morning: this was about nine o'clock: my maſter was in bed: I left the priſoner in the paſſage; and when I went up ſtairs the parlour door was not ſhut; when I came down the priſoner was ſtill in the paſſage; there were dirt marks of feet in the paſſage, and between the oil-cloth and the carpet in the parlour; I aſked him what buſineſs he had there: I had juſt before cleaned the paſſage and parlour: I complained of his dirting the paſſage, and he ſaid it was the dog's marks; I ſaid thoſe marks were very different from dogs mark's; I then let him out of the door, and on returning into the parlour I miſſed the ſalt; I purſued him into Chenie's-mews: he was taken there: he was walking: on ſearching him the ſalt was found upon him; William Wheeler, who took him, has the ſalt; I ſhould know it again.

WILLIAM

WILLIAM WHEELER *ſworn.*

I am coachman to Mr. Aikin. I was in Chenie's-mews, and ſaw the priſoner turn into the yard; he was walking: the laſt witneſs purſued him, and cried ſtop thief! he did not run at firſt, but afterwards he did; I took him; and he ſaid I will give you the ſalt, let me go, let me run. (Produces the ſalt.)

(Elizabeth Yeates depoſes to the ſalt.)

Mr. Baron. This is my ſalt.

Court. Do you know Mr. Burgeſs?—No, Sir; I know no ſuch perſon.

PRISONER's DEFENCE.

Pleaſe you, my lord. I was coming up Store-ſtreet, and I ſaw a man running; and he threw the ſalt away from him; I picked it up; and on the cry of ſtop thief! this man laid hold of me, and I put the ſalt into my hand; then he took me to a poulterer's door, and told me I muſt ſtay till the gentleman came; I ſaid I would ſtop; they took me to the watch-houſe, and I was bailed till Monday, then they brought me here.

GUILTY (Aged 20.)

Tried by the ſecond Middleſex Jury before Mr. RECORDER.

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178. JOHN HUGGINS was indicted for ſtealing, on the 17th of March, one braſs cock, value 6d. and two dozen of braſs curtain rings, value 2s. the goods of Robert Clowes.

ROBERT CLOWES *ſworn.*

I am a ſmith. I only prove the property.

ESTHER CLOWES *ſworn.*

On the 17th of March, in the evening, a little after eight o'clock, I miſſed the things mentioned in the indictment, and ſeveral others; I inſiſted on ſearching the priſoner; and on ſearching him I found theſe things; he told me he picked them up.

ROBERT WILLIAMS *ſworn.*

I work for Clowes. On the 17th Mrs. Clowes ſaid, Mr. Williams I ſhould be glad to ſearch you; I did not refuſe; nothing was found on me but my own property: then ſhe ſaid, Mr. Huggins, I wiſh to ſearch you; upon that he put his hand in his pocket and pulled out the things, and ſaid, I had like to have forgot, I have picked theſe things up, and forgot to give them to you.

LEWIS TUCKER *ſworn.*

There is a poſſibility of the rings having fallen into the cellar through a trap door.

PRISONER's DEFENCE.

I picked up the things, and went out to do a job; I really forgot to give them to my miſtreſs.

GUILTY.

Tried by the ſecond Middleſex Jury before Mr. Baron HOTHAM.

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179. WILLIAM ETHERTON and THOMAS HENBY were indicted for ſtealing, on the 5th of March, one pair of leather boots, value 2s. 6d. and other things, the property of John Grinley.

JOHN GRINLEY *ſworn.*

I live in Tottenham-court-road. I am a baker. On the 5th of March, at twelve o'clock at night, I ſaw my boots and ſhoes, and other things mentioned in the indictment; I miſſed them on the 6th in the morning; I called my wife; ſhe miſſed a ſaucepan and other things; I advertized them, and they were ſtopped; I went to Litchfield-ſtreet-office on Saturday; the boots were then produced, and the ham.

DANIEL HOGAN *ſworn.*

I am a watchman. I ſtopped theſe two men after two o'clock, in Dyot-ſtreet, St. Giles's; one of them made his eſcape; I took him again in the afternoon; I am ſure the

the man I took in the afternoon is the ſame man whom I ſtopped in the morning.

BOTH GUILTY.

Tried by the firſt Middleſex Jury before Lord KENYON.

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180. EDWARD GARDINER was indicted for burglariouſly and feloniouſly breaking and entering the dwelling-houſe of Joſeph Simpſon, about the hour of ten in the night of the 23d of March, and burglariouſly ſtealing therein three pewter diſhes, value 5s. two braſs candleſticks, value 2d. his property.

JOSEPH SIMPSON *ſworn.*

I keep the King's Arms, Newtoner's-lane. Laſt Friday evening my houſe was broke open; I was not gone to bed; the priſoner and three more came in and called for a pot of beer, and brought ſome ſauſages; I dreſſed them; they went for ſome more, ſtaid an hour and a half, paid their reckoning, and went away about ten; in about ten minutes I heard a noiſe in the kitchen; the kitchen is divided from the tap-room about breaſt high, and a curtain over it; I undrew the curtain, and ſaw the priſoner taking the candleſticks off the ſhelf; the three pewter diſhes were gone; here is the candleſticks; he was alone in the place; another got over the wall; he was diſcharged; the door was locked; there was a window in the kitchen, which was ſhut down, but not faſtened; I had not put it down to my knowledge; I do not know I had been in the kitchen that evening; I never ſaw the diſhes ſince; they were all I had; I ſaw them that evening: I called to the priſoner as he was taking the candleſtick, but he would take them, and did, and jumped out of the window; I ſeized him in the yard; theſe are the candleſticks.

WILLIAM STIRRUP *ſworn.*

I picked up one of the candleſticks, and the other I took from under the priſoner's jacket: I was in the houſe at the time drinking a pint of beer.

PRISONER's DEFENCE.

I was in the publick-houſe moſt of the evening, and toſſing up for liquor: I went to the neceſſary, and heard ſomebody, and Mr. Simpſon ſtopped me.

GUILTY of ſtealing, but not of the burglary. (Aged 20.)

Tried by the ſecond Middleſex Jury before Mr. Baron HOTHAM.

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181. WILLIAM DEAN was indicted for ſtealing on the 20th of February laſt, a black ſilk cloak, value 21s. the property of John Chiffley.

MARY CHIFFLEY *ſworn.*

I am wife of John Chiffley, I loſt a black mode ſilk cloak at the end of Greek-ſtreet, coming from work, at half paſt ſeven; the priſoner came from behind me, and he came before me and ſtopped me, and pulled the ſtring of my cloak, and it went off my ſhoulders in a moment's time; he run down Greek-ſtreet, and I called out ſtop thief! he was ſtopped directly, I loſt ſight of him, I ſaw him ſoon afterwards in the patrol Sloper's cuſtody.

SIMON SLOPER *ſworn.*

The cloak was not found; I was on my duty, and turned on hearing the cry of ſtop thief! I ſaw the priſoner and two others running down the ſtreet; I ſlipped and fell, it was froſty; I caught the priſoner; ſays he, I had no hand in it: the woman came up and charged him with taking the cloak.

Court to Mrs. Chiffley. Had you opportunity of ſeeing the face of the priſoner? —Yes; it was under a lamp; I am poſitive he pulled the ſtring of my cloak, but I do not ſwear he took it off.

Priſoner. My witneſſes were here yeſterday, they are gone out of town.

GUILTY. (Aged 18.)

Tried by the ſecond Middleſex Jury before Lord KENYON.

Court. What are you?—I am learning the trade of a farmer and grazier, from one Mr. Holgate, of Leeds Marſh, near Rye, in Suſſex, tenant to one Squire Manſfield I think his name is, he lives at Roberts Bridge; I left him a year and a half; I have been ſupported ſince by my friends; my aunt uſed to ſupport me, Old Quebec-ſtreet, Oxford-road.

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182. JOHN HARRIS was indicted for burglariouſly breaking and entering the dwelling houſe of John Cocker, on the 25th of March, and feloniouſly ſtealing therein a pair of leather breeches, value 10s. and a pound and a half of red lead, value 2d. the goods of the ſaid John Cocker.

A ſecond count, charging him with breaking and entering the ſaid dwelling houſe, with an intent to ſteal.

JOHN COCKER *ſworn.*

I am a carpenter, I live in Tabernacle-row, in the City Road; my houſe was broke open on Sunday evening laſt, about ſeven o'clock; I was ſitting in my back parlour; I heard a noiſe up ſtairs, and I went to the ſtairs and called to know if there was any body above. I ſaw two men paſs the landing from the back-room to the fore-room; I deſired them to walk down ſtairs, which they did; John Harris I took in the houſe, the other made his eſcape: I took him to an officer; he examined him in my preſence; nothing was found upon him; almoſt every thing in the room was miſplaced; a pair of breeches and a paper of red lead were dropped on the landing-place; they were my property.

MATTHEW BILBY *ſworn.*

I am a conſtable; I took the priſoner from the proſecutor.

PRISONER's DEFENCE.

That houſe was not inhabited lately; there was neither door nor window in it; I have ſlept in that room three months; I did not go into the houſe to take any thing away.

Proſecutor. I have lived in the houſe about ſix weeks.

GUILTY of ſtealing. (Aged 17)

Tried by the firſt Middleſex Jury before Mr. RECORDER.

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183. GEORGE ROWN was indicted for ſtealing, on the 21ſt of March, three pounds weight of hyſon tea, valued 15s. ſix pounds weight of ſouchong tea, valued 9s. twenty-eight pounds weight of bohea tea, valued 30s. and fifty-ſix pounds weight of rice, value 10s. the property of Robert Derbyſhire.

WILLIAM HASLAM *ſworn.*

I am ſervant to Mr. Derbyſhire; he is a wholeſale grocer; my maſter loſt a quantity of goods on the 21ſt inſt.; my maſter ſent me with this parcel to the Windmill inn, St. John's-ſtreet; not knowing the inn, I paſſed it, and the bag was then in my cart; I ſtopped my horſe and enquired for the Windmill, and they told me I was paſt it; preſently after I miſſed the goods, and jumped out of the cart, and ran after the priſoner; I did not ſee the goods in poſſeſſion of the priſoner, I ſaw them next day at Guildhall.

ROBERT NEWMAN *ſworn.*

On the 21ſt inſt. about a quarter paſt eight, coming down Turnmill-ſtreet I ſtopped the priſoner with the bag on his ſhoulder, I ſtopped him; he threw the bag down by which the rice parcels burſt; I have kept them ever ſince and marked them.

WILLIAM HUNT *ſworn.*

I am a porter; I was at the corner of the Bowling-alley, in Windmill-ſtreet, and ſaw the priſoner ſtopped.

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JAMES NEWAN *ſworn.*

I was with Robert Newman; I only know the ſame as my brother.

(The goods produced and depoſed to.)

PRISONER's DEFENCE.

I live with a wood chopper, and had been out to ſell ſome; on my return home a man aſked me the way to Mutton-hill; I told him I was going that way, and he ſaid if you will carry this parcel I will give you a ſhilling; going along Turnmill-ſtreet, theſe two (Newmans), ſtopped me.

GUILTY.

Fined 1s. *and impriſoned ſix months.*

Tried by the firſt Middleſex Jury before Mr. RECORDER.

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184. FRANCIS HUBBARD alias NOBLE, JAMES JONES alias PASTE alias DEACON, JAMES ARMSTRONG alias OGDEN, JOHN BAILEY alias TAYLOR alias DISDALL, JAMES SAVAGE, PETER DOUGLAS, JAMES FRERE, and JOHN CARRYL were indicted for that they, not having the fear of God before their eyes, but being moved and ſeduced by the inſtigation of the Devil, on the 16th day of February laſt, at the pariſh of St. Andrew, Holborn, in and upon Jordan Hoſty, in the peace of God and our Lord the King then and there being, feloniouſly, wilfully, and of their malice aforethought did make an aſſault, and that he, the ſaid Francis Hubbard, with a certain knife, of the value of 2d. which he, in his right hand then and there had and held, in and upon the buttock of the right thigh of the ſaid Jordan Hoſty, did ſtrike, ſtab, cut, penetrate, and wound; giving him, in and upon the ſaid buttock of the ſaid right thigh of him the ſaid Jordan, one mortal wound, of the depth of three inches and of the breadth of one inch and a half, of which mortal wound the ſaid Jordan, from the ſaid 16th of February till the 24th of the ſaid month, did languiſh, and languiſhing did live, on which ſaid 24th of the ſaid month, the ſaid Jordan Hoſty did die: and the indictment charges that the ſaid James Jones alias Paſte alias Deacon, James Armſtrong alias Ogden, John Bailey alias Taylor alias Diſdall, James Savage, Peter Douglas, James Frere, and John Carryl, feloniouſly, wilfully, and of their malice aforethought, were preſent, aiding, abetting, comforting, ſupporting, and maintaining him, the ſaid Francis Hubbard otherwiſe Noble, to do and commit the ſaid murder: and ſo the jurors on their oaths ſay, that him the ſaid Jordan Hoſty, the ſaid Francis Hubbard and the other priſoners, feloniouſly, wilfully, and of their malice aforethought, did kill and murder, againſt the king's peace.

The ſaid James Jones and James Armſtrong alſo were charged on the Coroner's Inquiſition for the ſaid murder.

(The indictment opened by Mr. Knapp: and the caſe by Mr. Garrow, as follows:)

May it pleaſe your Lordſhip. Gentlemen of the jury. I have been called upon in the courſe of my profeſſional duty to ſtate to you the nature of the caſe againſt the unfortunate men at the bar; and to perſons of ſerious and ſober thinking it muſt have excited ſenſations of a very uneaſy kind, to learn that you are to day to paſs on the lives or deaths of ſo many of your fellow citizens. Gentlemen, in our journey through life we are very often caſt into very uncomfortable ſituations; but it is your duty and mine, as it is the duty of every man, to meet his duty manfully, and to diſcharge it honeſtly: I am perfectly ſure, gentlemen, that the cauſe of theſe men will be ſafe under your conſideration, with the directions you will receive from the noble and learned judge: on the part of the defendants, they have every claim to your beſt and moſt diſcriminating attention; becauſe, undoubtedly, if you ſhould feel yourſelves called upon by virtue of the oath you have takeu; if you ſhould feel yourſelves called upon by the obligations of conſcience to pronounce them guilty, they will have little hope of mercy in this world: on the part of the publick there are claims

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on you to attend to this caſe with the moſt ſerious and conſiderate caution, becauſe it preſents a murder of the moſt horrid and attrocious kind committed, with circumſtances of defiance of all the attention of the police that have hardly been equalled in this country in modern times; there will be an end of all ſecurity in ſociety, if crimes like this attributed to theſe unfortunate men ſhould paſs with impunity: gentlemen, to you I dare ſay it will be unneceſſary to make the obſervation I am going to make; I make it becauſe I know an occaſion recent to us all, I mean the riots in 1780; vulgar minds were impreſſed with an idea that proſecutions like the preſent were unfit, indecorous, and not proper to be had; it has been ſuppoſed by ſuch minds that to call on a jury to attend to the caſe of ſeven or eight perſons together, is a thing not to be done in a country governed as this is by wiſe and juſt laws; gentlemen, it is of neceſſity that it ſhould be done; if many perſons engage in the perpetration of the ſame crime, they muſt be arraigned together, their guilt muſt be inquired into by the ſame jury, the ſame jury muſt do their beſt to find out and diſcriminate that guilt; therefore, gentlemen, it is no impeachment on the law, it is no arraignment of the proceedings of courts of juſtice that they ſhould be tried together, in truth it is more beneficial for them, and thoſe that fancy theſe things are injurious, if they conſidered the ſubject diſpaſſionately, would diſcover, that in the way in which juſtice is adminiſtered in this conntry, it is in truth more beneficial to the parties accuſed than any other mode of proceeding could poſſibly be: gentlemen, I have the pleaſure, on the preſent occaſion, to aſſure you that the number of perſons will not excite any difficulty in the deciſion; that it will be extremely eaſy to apply your minds to the caſes of the ſeveral priſoners, under the direction, and with the aſſiſtance, you will receive from the Court: gentlemen, the firſt object of your enquiry will be this, whether Jordan Hoſty came to his death by violent means inflicted upon him by any body; the indictment imputes that violence to the priſoner Hubbard; it will be, in point of law, perfectly immaterial whether that allegation in the indictment be true or not; becauſe, if it ſhould turn out that any other priſoner now arraigned gave the mortal wound, ſtill, if Hubbard and the reſt were aſſociates in the guilt of that other perſon it will make no difference; but I believe it will appear from the teſtimony of very many witneſſes, that the mortal wound, as alleged to Hubbard, is conſiſtent with truth; you will have the goodneſs to direct your minds firſt to the enquiry whether he was guilty of the fact alleged againſt him, then you will ſee what ſhare the other priſoners have taken in that guilt, whether they were preſent, whether they encouraged him, by adding to that force which he would not have had alone to perpetrate this crime, and whether they lent themſelves to his guilty purpoſe: gentlemen, it is neceſſary I ſhould ſtate to you, that, in order to make perſons acceſſaries, as we call it in common phraſe, to the guilt of murder, it is not neceſſary that all of them ſhould intend that a murder ſhould be committed; if many perſons are engaged in an illegal act, in a breach of the peace, or any aſſault which they do not intend ſhall end in murder, ſtill, if murder is the event, it is equally murder in them all. Gentlemen, I ſhall now proceed to ſtate to you the circumſtances which led to this melancholy tragedy; on the 16th of February the priſoners at the bar, who had long been aſſociates, and had infeſted the neighbourhood of Saffron-hill and Chick-lane, were aſſembled, all but Hubbard, in a publick-houſe at the corner of Chick-lane, known by the ſign of the Crown and Anchor; about half paſt eight o'clock the priſoner Hubbard arrived: it is immaterial to ſtate to you on what occaſion he came there: the priſoner Frere brought in a caſk of cherry brandy, which he deſired the landlord to purchaſe of him; for reaſons which were very good ones, the landlord refuſed to purchaſe it, upon which Frere ſpiled the caſk, and gave ſome to the priſoners: about nine o'clock, inflamed probably with liquor,

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they all ſallied forth to the door of that publick-houſe, and there they ſtood in a very riotous mob, accompanied by ſeveral proſtitutes of the loweſt order; while they were ſtanding there a man of the name of Davis was paſſing along; the firſt act (and, gentlemen, I ſtate this, not for the purpoſe of influencing your minds againſt the priſoners, but for the purpoſe of marking to you, that thoſe who will come by and by to identify the priſoners, had the means of knowing them; they had the means of fixing their attention) a poor man, of the name of Davis, a coal-porter, was knocked down by ſome of this gang without the ſmalleſt provocation: I mention this only becauſe Davis will be called to you as a witneſs; he will be called to identify ſome of the perſons at the bar, and that they were ſo aſſembled: very ſoon after this a man of the name of Connor, a day labourer, was returning to his lodging, within a few doors, he was under the neceſſity, from the narrowneſs of the place, to paſs through this gang of perſons; they huſtled him; and he made uſe of an expreſſion, d—n you, what are you at? why do not you let people go along; upon this they fell upon him with their ſticks; they beat him in a very violent manner, and he at laſt eſcaped into the Crown and Anchor; he repreſented his alarm, ſtated his fear of going home, and he begged ſomebody would protect him home, imagining that the preſence of anybody with whom they were acquainted would keep them in order; the maſter was gone to bed, and the waiter could not leave the houſe: the poor man waited there till he thought theſe people were diſperſed, and then he came out: I ſtated firſt theſe perſons had beat him with their ſticks, and at that time no other inſtrument appears to have been uſed; but on his coming out he found they were laying in wait for him; he found they were waiting for his coming; and as ſoon as he came within their reach they attacked him with drawn knives and ſticks, and uſed him in the moſt cruel manner; the poor man ſcrambled to his lodging: he lodged at a houſe with a man of the ſame name, Connor; and Conner and the unfortunate deceaſed, Hoſty, came out to his aſſiſtance; and as ſoon as they came out they were attacked by different perſons, cut with their knives, and mangled in a terrible manner; at laſt Hoſty, who had been cut and mangled, got to the door of a Mr. Carey, a grocer, he fell, and in falling, partly in the houſe and partly out of it, it will be proved to you by many witneſſes, but particularly by Mrs. Carey, who has no doubt of the perſon; that as he fell, the priſoner Hubbard gave him the wound which occaſioned his death; that he gave, as it appeared to her, the whole force of his body to the blow, and he accompanied it with the moſt horrid and violent expreſſions, which it is not material to ſtate to you; they are ſuch as make one's nature ſhudder, expreſſing the deliberate purpoſe of deſtroying this unfortunate victim: gentlemen, the poor man fell at the door wounded by the knife of Hubbard; he had purſued him to that door, he was followed by ſome of his aſſociates, and he had the barbarity to jump and tread on the head and breaſt of the poor man; in this ſituation, glorying in what he had done, boaſting of it, he will be deſcribed by ſeveral witneſſes; gentlemen, at laſt the poor man was dragged into the houſe, and Mrs. Carey, imagining that her ſex might poſſibly diſarm the fury of theſe ruffians, went to the door, and deſired them to go away; Hubbard was then dancing and jumping with his knife in his hand, and uſing the moſt horrid expreſſions, that he would have him out; he went away, and came back accompanied by ſeveral of his aſſociates; he ſwore the b—y b—r was in the houſe, he was ſure, and would have him out; gentlemen, upon this Carey and his family were alarmed for their own ſafety, and Carey went for a conſtable; and I mention this fact to you, cautioning you againſt accumulating this to the guilt of the priſoners at the bar; God knows, if they are guilty of the murder, it requires no aggravation of their caſe; but for the purpoſe of ſhewing that the witneſſes who will ſwear to their perſons, had the means

of knowing them; he made uſe of this expreſſion to Carey, you will go for a conſtable, will you! blaſt you, we will give it you; and he immediately attacked Mr. Carey, and he was knocked down by theſe people; the wife and Fiſher, a lodger, ran out to his aſſiſtance; he was laying on the ground, crying out murder, and the priſoner and ſome others kicking him as he lay on the ground; at that time Hubbard, Armſtrong, and Jones were ſtanding over him; Jones was attempting to jump on him; Fiſher puſhed him away, and had a violent blow on his head; at this time ſome of them exclaimed, d—n you, draw your knives: gentlemen, after this the poor man was taken to a houſe in the neighbourhood, and from thence to the hoſpital, for a few days, when he died moſt unqueſtionably of the wound that had been given him: the queſtion, therefore, that you have to decide is, whether you can truſt to the teſtimony of the witneſſes; if you believe them, if you believe them perſons deſerving of credit, if you believe they tell their ſtories in a manner not to excite ſuſpicion, not to excite an apprehenſion that they are impoſing upon you, if you believe they are not miſtaken, it will be your duty to pronounce him guilty of the murder, and it will be alſo your duty to pronounce what ſhare all the other priſoners had in the tranſaction: the evidence againſt them is undoubtedly extremely different; as to ſome of them it will be proved by many witneſſes, as to others there will be fewer perſons, and thoſe to whom they will ſwear will be leſs connected in the tranſaction: I will direct your attention to ſome of thoſe againſt whom undoubtediy the evidence does not appear to be ſo pregnant; with reſpect to the priſoner Savage, he was one of thoſe who compoſed the gang in Brewhouſe-yard, but I am not able to connect him with the door of Mr. Carey, or with the actual time of the murder; I am ſure if any merciful diſtinction can be made, it will be made, and urged to your conſideration by the higheſt poſſible authority; gentlemen, with reſpect to one of the priſoners I ſhall be able to prove by one witneſs, that, if he was not connected with the murder, he was afterwards, while the windows were breaking, one of thoſe that were ſtanding there and laughing at the tranſaction; with reſpect to the reſt, I ſhall prove them guilty, I am afraid, by many witneſſes: and, gentlemen, it is lamentable indeed that the law has called upon you to make ſo many victims to publick juſtice; you and I have nothing to do with that; it is your duty and mine to attend honeſtly and fairly to the conſideration of the facts; and though the conſequence of your verdict may be the offering up to publick juſtice and ſociety many victims, though it may inflict you with pain, yet it will not induce you to ſwerve from your duty; and though your ſituation be undoubtedly a very unpleaſant one, yet you will meet that ſituation like me, and diſcharge it like honeſt men, looking neither to the right hand nor to the left, but doing your duty as the evidence ſhall compel you: gentlemen, I ſhall call the witneſſes, many of whom have felt terror in coming forward; but I hope they will learn that they are under the protection of the Court, and that nothing can happen to them for telling the truth; and God forbid they ſhould ſtate either more or leſs: gentlemen, I ſhall now proceed to call the witneſſes in ſupport of the facts I have related to you, and I doubt not but on the reſult of the whole, your verdict will be ſuch as to meet the approbation of the publick.

(The witneſſes examined ſeparate.)

JOHN MILES *ſworn.*

(Examined by Mr. Knapp.)

I am a waiter at the Crown and Anchor the corner of Chick-lane, and was ſo the 16th of Feb. laſt; I know the priſoners, and ſaw all of them on that day; they were there the middle of the day and all the day but Hubbard, who did not come till eight or nine, ſome little I think before nine, and Douglas not after five or ſix. They ſtaid in our houſe after Hubbard came in about

about a quarter of an hour or twenty minutes; they, to the beſt of my knowledge, had a little bit of a cag with ſome liquor in it, that was Frere; they drank ſome of the liquor, and Diſdale had ſome beer; I remember Armſtrong going out firſt and they all abſconded the houſe about ten minutes before nine; I never ſaw them again that night. After they were gone out about three or four minutes, I heard a woman cry out murder, and then the man that is here, Connor, came into our houſe running, with his noſe and mouth bleeding, as with a blow, not a cut; I cannot ſay I know any of the people that followed him; I did not ſee Connor after that time; I did not go out after, I kept the door bolted.

Priſoner Hubbard. Do not you recollect ſeeing me in this houſe after?—No.

Priſoner Armſtrong. Was not I in the houſe, in the tap-room, when Connor came in?—No, I ſaw none but Connor.

JAMES CONNOR (the lodger) *ſworn.*

Mr. Garrow. What are you?—A labouring man; I lodged at this time in Brewhouſe-yard, No. 2, with James Connor; coming along there were a parcel of men and women, about five or ſix, if not more, ſtanding, and they kept huſtling me about as I attempted to paſs them; I damned them for not letting quiet people go by about their buſtneſs, and they came on me with bludgeons and ſticks; the men and the women thumping me, and I ran into the Crown and Anchor. I aſked Miles for his maſter; he was gone to bed; I went into the parlour; I continued a few minutes; I had not a mind to drink; I looked out and ſaw nobody; in going out in about half a ſcore yards they attacked me a ſecond time; I did not ſee the knife, but I ſaw the bludgeons; but I received this cut over the cheek *(a long ſcar)* and another cut over the mouth, either by a knife or a tool; I called out for relief; ſome of them were round me, and my landlord came and took me in doors; I did not ſee the deceaſed then; I obſerved James Armſtrong (that is the man) he was one of thoſe that ſtruck me with a bludgeon; I noticed his face well; I am abſolutely certain to him; I cannot ſwear diſtinctly to the perſons of any of the others; they followed my landlord and I in, and knocked and buſtled at the door, and broke one of the panes in the one pair of ſtairs; my landlord went out and was ſtruck over the head, and he ſhut the door; I ſtopt ſome time, ſtopping my blood with cold water for half an hour, then I went to the ſurgeon.

JAMES CONNOR (the landlord) *ſworn.*

I live in Brewhouſe-yard, Chick-lane, about 30 yards from the Crown and Anchor; the laſt witneſs and the deceaſed both lodged with me; about ten minutes before nine my nameſake came within a little of the door; the deceaſed and I ſat together; Connor cried out I am beat! I knew his voice. The deceaſed ſaid to me, do you go out and bring him in, I ſuppoſe he is jawed by an old woman; I went out and ſaw three men and two women; I obſerved no ſtrokes nor who the people were; I got him into the houſe; I took notice of his wounds; my hat was cut; then I miſſed Hoſty; I did not ſee him out of doors afterwards; then the door was put to; they followed to the door and rattled at it; I did not ſee the deceaſed again till I ſaw him in the hoſpital; I made no obſervations who the perſons were.

CHARLES GILL *ſworn.*

I a ſhoemaker in Field-lane, cloſe by Brewhouſe-yard; about five minutes before nine I went to the caſtle to get a pint of beer, and I had not been in one minute before I heard the cry of murder, and I ſaw a man lay bleeding at the door; I do not know who it was, it was not Hoſty nor Connor, there were a number of people; I called them blackguards for uſing a poor man ſo: one of them came up to me and ſaid he would cut my bloody Iriſh blood out; then I went into the Caſtle, I heard more noiſe; I ran out again; I ſaw ſeveral

ral people making towards Brewhouſe-yard; and Carryl running out of the Crown and Anchor, and I ſaw, I dare ſay a dozen beating Connor; I cannot ſay who beat him; I ſaw Carryl hit nobody, only ſaw him running; I do not know whether they had any offenſive weapon. A lamplighter came up and I took his light and lighted Connor in doors, and there was Pace and Armſtrong flouriſhing their ſticks; I did not ſee them hit any body; I ſaw Connor, the landlord, open the door, and one of the men hit him with a ſtick; I do not know who that was; I got back to the Caſtle, but the door was ſhut; when I came back, I ſaw Bailey at the corner of the gate-way, at Brewhouſe-yard; I think he is the man that followed me to the poſts with a knife, which I ſaw, and threatened to cut my head off; he was called Diſdale, in the mob: I ſaw him have no knife at the corner. When I ſaw the deceaſed Hoſty, running up Saffron-hill, as if getting from the mob, and I thought Carryl was purſuing him; I ſaw him have no weapon; I went into the Caſtle and they ſhut me in; I never ſaw the deceaſed again till after he was dead.

Priſoner Carryl. What coloured coat had I on?—A light-coloured coat, which I took to be a dark drab.

THOMAS HARDY *ſworn.*

I am a butcher, No. 13, Field-lane. On the 16th of February, about nine in the evening, I heard a ſquall by a woman; I ran to the corner of Chick-lane, and ſaw a man run with a blue jacket and trowſers on, that was the deceaſed, and another man in a light-coloured coat, and I followed him; they ran up Saffron-hill, when they came to Mr. Carey's door the deceaſed ſlipt and fell down; the man that purſued him, whom I believe to be Hubbard, I cannot be poſitive to his face, but every other appearance was like him; he gave him three or four kicks, and gave him three or four ſtrokes with his right hand on his right buttock, which was uppermoſt, drawing his hand backwards and forwards; he put his hands againſt the two half-doors and kicked him in doors, and the doors were ſhut; after that the man that I ſuppoſed to be Hubbard, I cannot ſay exactly, he called him a bloody b—r; he got into the middle of the road and called out you b——rs bring me a piſtol, and he ſwore he would ſhoot the bloody b——r: he ran down Saffron-hill directly, I ſaw him come up the hill again in three or four minutes; there were ſeveral came with him, I do not know any of them; he returned to Carey's houſe and ſaid the bloody b——r was there; he would have him out, and there was a ſkirmiſh ſome few minutes, then they returned down to Harris's ſhop; I cannot ſay I ſaw any of theſe people at the Taylor's ſhop. After the riot was all over, I ſaw Frere at the Crown and Anchor calling to them; he was in a ſmock frock, and five minutes after I ſaw him upon the hill with the ſmock frock off.

Court. You ſeem to have been a witneſs to what paſſed for a conſiderable ſpace of time; now making uſe of all your recollection, can you with moral certainty recollect the perſon of Hubbard?—I cannot ſay with certainty to any perſon; but this man Frere and Hubbard as I think.

Court. Are you pretty ſure it was him?—I really think it was him.

Court. When you ſaw him at the magiſtrate's did you think he was the man?—Yes.

Have you now any doubt about his being the man?—I have no doubt but what he is the man.

Priſoner Hubbard. Whether he knew me before, or whether he goes by my having a white coat on?—I never ſaw him before; but by every appearance of the ſhape and make of him, I rather think him to be the man, by rather bending his knees.

Priſoner. You ſaid nothing at Bow-ſtreet?—I was not called to give evidence there.

Mrs. JESSE CAREY *ſworn.*

My huſband is a grocer on Saffron-hill. On the 16th of February, about five minutes

nutes before nine, a man fell into the door: we were at ſupper: that perſon was Jordan Hoſty, the deceaſed; as I was ſitting at ſupper the priſoner Hubbard was ſtamping on him with the heel of his foot: the deceaſed's head and ſhoulders were inſide the door, and the lower part of his body laying out: the priſoner Hubbard appeared to me to aim at his face, but ſtamped on the breaſt and ſtomach; I did not obſerve him repeat the blow, but he offered to ſtrike him once or twice; I went to the door, and Hubbard rather drew back, and the deceaſed got up and paſſed me, and went up part of our ſtairs; then I puſhed Hubbard from the door, and he caught hold of my hair, and pulled me off the ſtep of the door upon the pavement; then he ſtood in the middle of the ſtreet, and ſwore he would have that b—y rogue out; I ſaid the man did not belong to us, and he ſhould come out, we did not want him there; he put himſelf into many attitudes, and put his hand into his waiſtcoat pocket and took out ſomething, but I cannot tell what it was; he ſaid, the firſt that came nigh him he would ſtab: he turned himſelf round after ſtanding about five minutes, ſeeming to be in a great paſſion, and ſwearing he would have the man out, and ran down the ſtreet.

I would trouble you to look at him again.—Sir, I am poſitive to his perſon.

You are poſitive to his perſon?—Indeed I am, I am ſure he was the man that was ſtamping on the man that lay on the ſteps; I looked particularly at him, he took up my whole attention by the manner of his behaviour.

How ſoon afterwards did you ſee him at Bow-ſtreet?—I believe it was about a week.

Did you immediately recollect him?—As ſoon as ever I ſaw him go up from the bench I recollected his perſon immediately.

Was he ſitting alone or pointed out to you?—No, Sir, he was ſitting alone.

Had you at that time, have you now, or have you at any time entertained any doubt about his perſon?—Not the leaſt.

During all this tranſaction were there any perſons at the door?——I did not ſee any beſides him: after he ran down Saffron-hill I went into the houſe, the deceaſed was concealed under the ſtairs, by Mr. Cary and Mr. Sheen (a lodger) I ſaid now is your time to go your ways, for the man that has been uſing you ill is gone down the ſtreet; and the deceaſed looked very earneſtly in my face but did not ſay a word; while I was talking to him, Hubbard was the firſt perſon that came to the door again.

Were there any perſons in company with him?—Yes there were ſome men came up with him but I do not recollect any of the others.

Court. At this time, when Hubbard went, do you know whether the deceaſed had received any wound?—Yes, he had received a wound over the face, and I believe he had received the wound of which he died.—When Hubbard came back again he jumped and ſaid the bloody rogue was in there, fetch him out: they would have him out; Mr. Sheen recommended to my huſband to go for a conſtable, and they went away from the door; I believe Hubbard was the firſt that went after my huſband; I heard they had knocked him down, and I went two or three doors and my huſband was laying on the ground and holding up his left hand crying out murder!

Court. Any thing that paſſed after the fatal blow is not material to be enquired into.

Mrs. Carey. When I came back the deceaſed was gone, I never ſaw him afterwards.

Priſoner Hubbard. You do not go by my having a white coat on?—No, I go by your face.

I have lived three years on Saffron-hill, four doors from you?—I never ſaw you before.

THOMAS JAMES *ſworn.*

I am a ſhoemaker, No. 14, Field-lane; I was at my own houſe; I heard a noiſe at the poſts; I immediately ran and ſaw three

or four ſurrounding a man in a blue jacket and trowſers (the deceaſed); he eſcaped, and ran up Saffron-hill; he was purſued by one, I did not obſerve his face, he was a man of my own height, rather a ſhort man, in a drab-coloured coat; I purſued them to Mr. Carey's door, and the deceaſed fell, and the force of his falling burſt open the door when he fell; I had a bundle about me; I made off about twenty yards from the place; I made no obſervation before he went in doors; the man that purſued the deceaſed returned to Saffron-hill again; I cannot ſay I ſaw him again; I did not ſee him at all, not his face, only the colour of his coat; there were ſome more came up; he might be with them, but I do not know: Mr. Carey ſaid he would fetch a conſtable; and they ſurrounded Carey, and knocked him down.

JAMES CAREY *ſworn.*

I was at home this evening; I went to the door, but not cloſe: on the 16th of February laſt, a few minutes before nine, as I ſat at ſupper, I was greatly alarmed by a man falling againſt my door; I went up, and ſaw a man with ſtout thick legs, and a lightiſh drab coat, but rather darker by wear, it was a very old one; I cannot be ſure to Hubbard, but there is none other of the priſoners ſo much like him; I ſaw that man kicking the man that lay on the ground as hard as he poſſibly could; I then went towards the door, but my wife went firſt; ſhe laid hold of the man that was kicking by the ſhoulders, and they both went out of doors; the man got up, and he ran up ſtairs; and a lodger of mine, whoſe name is Sheen, met the man, and ſaid, you ſhall not come here; what do you want? For God's ſake, ſays the man, do not turn me out; if you turn me out, they will murder me: I ſtood at the bottom of the ſtairs, and the man ſeemed to addreſs himſelf to me; Maſter (he was an Iriſhman), do not turn me out, they will murder me; I have done nothing, I never touched nor offended any of them: I looked upon it as this, that they had been a fighting, and, as the common phraſe is, the man had had enough, and gave out; ſays I, Poor man! you ſeem ſhockingly hurt indeed; for I ſuppoſe he ſpilled a pint of blood from his noſe, for I ſaw no other wound; I obſerved the wound acroſs the noſe very plain, it ſeemed to me as if I could put my finger in it; at that time I was ſtruck more with horror than pity, the man appeared ſo very ghaſtly; ſays I, poor man, go under the ſtairs, I will go to the door and ſee what is the matter; while I was talking to him, the man, who he was I cannot ſay, came back; ſays he, the bl—y rogue is here; the bl—y b——r, I will have him out: I went and fetched a conſtable; and the ſame man that was ſtamping on the other came up to me again; I have never ſeen a man ſince, in all the times ſince the affair happened, like Hubbard.

Does he fully anſwer the impreſſion which your mind made on itſelf at the time?—Yes; and another thing I took notice of, he ſpoke, for a little man, very ſtrong.

Then, upon the whole, you have a ſtrong belief that he is the man, but you do not mean to ſwear poſitively?—No, Sir, I do not mean to ſwear poſitively; but, if he is not the man, he is as much like him as two peas can be matched.

Priſoner Hubbard. Is he poſitive it wanted ten minutes of nine?—Yes, I will tell you why; I ſeldom come from my father-in-law's till nine; but I had not poſted our day-book, and it wanted nine minutes of nine when I came home, and I ſat down immediately to ſupper, and I had not had any thing; I ſaw your legs kicking the man; I do not poſitively ſwear that you are the ſame, but I firmly and ſincerely believe it.

JOSEPH FISHER *ſworn.*

I live at No. 14, Great Saffron-hill: on the 16th of February, I ſtood at my maſter's houſe, at the cutting-board; I heard a noiſe at Mr. Carey's door, and I went and ſaw a little man ſtrutting before the door; I do not know who he was.

Have you ſeen any body ſince that you believe to be the man?—Yes.

Who

Who is the perſon?—That gentleman there at the corner, Hubbard I believe they call him, I do not know what his right name is; I remember hearing him ſay, at the time, turn out that bl—y rogue; I ſaw the deceaſed, cut acroſs the noſe, bleeding.

EDWARD DREWIT *ſworn.*

I am a hair-dreſſer: about ten minutes before nine, I heard a great noiſe on Saffron-hill, the cry of ſtop him; I ſaw the deceaſed, Jordan Hoſty, run up the hill, crying out Murder! murder! and a man in light-coloured clothes following him, with the horrid expreſſions, you bl—dy thief, I will murder you; and he ran as far as Mr. Carey's door, and there the man fell directly; after that, there were ſome people collected out at the door; I ſaw no more of the man; I ſaw the ſame man in the light-coloured coat, that purſued Hoſty, was the man I ſaw attack James Carey, but I cannot take upon me to ſay who that man was; I did not make ſufficient obſervation to be able to ſwear to him.

THOMAS DAVIS *ſworn.*

I keep the Butchers-arms, in Chick-lane: on the 16th of February, about nine at night within two minutes, I was in my parlour backwards, and was called out by my ſon; I went to my bar; I met my brother, with his head bleeding; I ſaw nothing of Hoſty.

WILLIAM MACNALLY *ſworn.*

I knew the deceaſed, Hoſty; he was a firſt couſin of my wife's; he came to my lodgings about half after nine, he was in a very bad condition, no man could be worſe; he had a cut in his face, and a ſtab in his right thigh; I kept him, waſhing his face, for ten minutes; and, William, ſays he, I believe I have got a kick at Mr. Carey's door; ſays I, turn down, I will ſee you; he turned down; ſays I, Jordan, you are ſtabbed; ſays he, then, I believe I am, calling me by my name; I took him to the ſurgeon's, and from thence to the hoſpital, about ten; he lived about eight days after; I went every ſecond day; I was with him when the laſt ſurgeon dreſſed him; I ſaw him afterwards, dead; he was in as ſtrong health before as any man would wiſh to be.

JOSEPH COPE *ſworn.*

I am a ſurgeon in St. Bartholomew's hoſpital; I ſaw the deceaſed there; he had a wound on his right buttock, it appeared to be about three inches deep, and one and a half in length; he had alſo a cut acroſs his face, but that appeared of very little conſequence, and, having ſome dreſſing upon it, I did not examine it; I can only ſay, that I was called to him on account of the return of the bleeding of the wound on the buttock, that I ſaw him twice afterwards, and that he died on the Friday following.

Did it appear to you that the wound on the thigh had been inflicted by ſome ſharp cutting inſtrument?—It did.

Would a knife have given ſuch a wound?—Exactly.

To what do you aſcribe the death of that unfortunate perſon?—To this wound on his thigh.

You have no doubt but that was the occaſion of it?—I have not the leaſt doubt of it.

Court. Now the time is come for you to make your defence, I think I ought to tell you, that the perſon who appears to be the moſt materially affected, and who probably in the ſequel of the caſe will be found to be materially affected, is Hubbard; therefore he particularly ſhould apply himſelf to any thing that may be of advantage to him in his defence.

PRISONER HUBBARD's DEFENCE.

I was diſcharged here laſt ſeſſions, about half after eight; when I had my iron off, I went to the Cock in the Corner, and ſtopped there till it wanted ten minutes of nine; then I went up Chick-lane, to my father and mother; I have the people ready to witneſs that I lived there three years, two or three doors from where theſe people lived; I wiſh to ſpeak a word relative to the kicks and bruiſes.

Mr.

Mr. Cope. Certainly the man had ſome bruiſes on his face, but not of much conſequence; his eyes were blood-ſhot.

Priſoner Hubbard. I had only been into Mr. Sibley's houſe after the affair happened, I had a pint of beer, and out.

CATHERINE SANKEY *ſworn.*

I come to tell the time that the priſoner Hubbard was diſmiſſed from this place when he was tried before.

What day of the month was it?—Upon my word I do not know.

Court to Hubbard. What queſtions would you aſk?

Priſoner. What time did I leave your company after I was diſmiſſed this Court?—

Mr. Garrow. I can ſay it was this day.

Court. What time did he leave your company?—Very near nine o'clock.

Where do you live?—I live on Holywell-mount, near Shoreditch.

Mr. Garrow. Where did you go to from Newgate firſt?—Over the way to the public-houſe, and from thence to the Cock in the Corner on Ludgate-hill, and he ſtopped there and drank; he left us there.

Before nine o'clock?—Yes.

The Cock on Ludgate-hill every body knows is not two minutes and a half walk from Saffron-hill?—I do not know, I never was there before.

ELIZABETH BROWN *ſworn.*

Do you recollect ſeeing the priſoner Hubbard on the day he was diſcharged from this place?—Yes, I ſaw him between eight and nine in the public-houſe, the Cock in the Corner.

What time did he go out of that houſe?—He went from there before nine o'clock.

Court. Gentlemen of the Jury: we are now arrived to that period of the caſe that demands your attention; and by whomſoever it has been ſuggeſted, or on whatſoever occaſion it may have been ſuggeſted, that it is uncandid to complicate together in one charge different perſons, becauſe it may diſtract the attention of jurors, it is ignorance, to ſay no more of it; for if the caſe connects them together, if the facts connect them, the proſecution ariſing out of thoſe facts muſt neceſſarily connect them: where the facts may all of them be brought before the Court without complicating different perſons in it, it is always convenient to keep the charges apart, that the attention of thoſe who are to decide may not be diſtracted by different parts of the charge; but in this caſe it could not have been conducted otherwiſe than it has been; the caſe itſelf, as ſtated *prima facie*, attempts to connect all thoſe perſons in one integral act, committed at one time, and aſcribing to all of them large portions of guilt, which is the guilt of ſome perſon; but, happily for thoſe that are to decide, it is rid of all complicated circumſtances; becauſe it is fit to tell you, Gentlemen, that, as far as my obſervation has gone, I think that the proſecution, though fit to be inquired into with reſpect to all the perſons that have been placed before you for your judgement, ſo far has failed, with reſpect to all except Hubbard, that I am not aware that there are any circumſtances whatever that will warrant me in ſtating to you, in a queſtion upon which you are to decide on the lives of theſe men—that there any circumſtances that will attach on any of the parties beſides Hubbard: Gentlemen, the law was with great accuracy laid down by the learned counſel, who opened the caſe on the part of the proſecution, with candour, with abilities, and with clearneſs; and he ſtated to you that which I do perfectly ſubſcribe to, that if ſeveral perſons meet together for any illegal purpoſe, although the purpoſe which they intend to perpetrate may not amount to felony, yet if ſo aſſociated together, they are all of them intangled in the conſequences, however enormous, however they may be enhanced beyond their firſt intention; and I concur further with him, in ſtating, that though the indictment may charge one perſon with giving the mortal wound, yet if the others are aſſociated with him in the perpetration of their illegal purpoſe, it is of no conſequence; though the mortal wound may be given by the hand of another, yet all of them

them are anſwerable, even to murder, for the blow given by another perſon: Gentlemen, I do this for the ſake of ſtating to a pretty crouded audience, and for the ſake of thoſe other perſons at the bar, that they may hereafter bear about them in their minds how neceſſary it is to refrain from keeping bad company, and embarking in any bad purpoſe; they ought to know in what peril they ſtand, if they aſſociate with thoſe who are embarked in illegal purpoſes, that it will be of no moment to ſay, I had no intention to kill; the anſwer of the Judge, by the Jury, will be, it is of no conſequence your intention, you was embarked in illegal purpoſes, and all of you are anſwerable for the wound: Now, gentlemen, with that preface, I will proceed to ſtate to you the evidence againſt theſe parties: [Here the learned Judge ſummed up the evidence, and then added] Gentlemen, this is the evidence which is called on the behalf of the proſecution; and, as I before ſaid, I do not think this evidence contains any diſtinct facts ſtrong enough to involve any of the perſons in the guilt which is aſcribed to them all by the indictment, except Hubbard; for it does not appear that, at the time when they were in the public-houſe, they had agreed to go out to commit violence; how the violence aroſe you are only to collect from the evidence given; and there is nothing, in my apprehenſion, that involves them: Now, with reſpect to the caſe of Hubbard, the lenity of the laws of the country in which we live, in various caſes, though homicide happens, indulges the paſſions and weakneſſes of the nature which we carry about us; it is not the conſequence, that becauſe a man is killed, that the hand by which he died is involved in the crime of murder; but it becomes the party to furniſh the Jury with circumſtances which ſhall in ſome meaſure apologize for what he has done, and reduce the offence to that of a leſs denomination than that of murder; now, in looking at this caſe again and again, I am not aware that any ſuch circumſtances exiſt; if there had been any provocation given, and men's minds had been heated, and the hand that gave the fatal blow is off his guard, owing to ſomething that happened, this, though not ſufficient completely to excuſe his guilt, but to be ſome apology in the eye of that law which indulges the paſſions of men to a certain degree; if any ſuch circumſtances had exiſted in this caſe, they ought to have been laid before you; but I do not find that is the caſe; then how is the fact, if it comes unapologized for, and unreduced in the eye of the criminal juriſprudence of the country? That the deceaſed died by violence is proved, that he died by the hand of ſomebody is certain; but that will not be ſufficient to impute blame to any perſon, unleſs the guilt of that particular perſon is aſcertained by evidence; and, in order to do that, you have the witneſſes, three or four of whom prove, and two of them ſpeaking with poſitiveneſs, that Hubbard was the man that purſued him, that was upon him inflicting violence at the door of Carey; all the witneſſes, and it is not at all to be wondered at, in a tumult, in the midſt of a mob, that they did not diſtinctly ſee every act of violence that was committed; but, however, the caſe is not deſtitute of every degree of proof, becauſe one of the witneſſes, namely Hardy, ſwore, that, beſides the kicking, he ſaw the hand of the perſon going backwards and forwards two or three times, and that that part of his body which was wounded was uppermoſt at the time; and though not of import ſingly, yet combined together it may be of much import; and you will recollect, that afterwards, when he was purſued, and apprehended the miniſters of juſtice were after him, that he took ſomething, which was not ſeen, out of his waiſtcoat pocket; but that it was ſomething capable of ſtabbing is pretty clear, becauſe he ſaid he would ſtab any one that attempted to take him: You, gentlemen, are in arduous circumſtances certainly; for though the caſe may not be of great difficulty, yet one pauſes before one decides on the fate of a fellow-creature; and in this caſe are the iſſues of life and death, with reſpect to this man, in your hands; but you are not to ſhrink from

your duty, you muſt meet it, as the learned counſel ſaid, manfully and fairly; you muſt remember that, notwithſtanding all the feelings of your minds, with reſpect to falſe mercy, you owe a juſtice to your country; and if this man is the man that ſhed the blood of one of his fellow-creatures, he muſt anſwer it with his own blood; and the good policy of the country, and the actual exiſtence of a ſtate of ſociety, cannot exiſt, if, after ſuch crimes are detected, they are not puniſhed: you are to aſcertain it: the circumſtances are ſtrong, they are given by witneſſes not impeached; and the contradiction attempted to be given to them for the priſoner is certainly no contradiction at all; all that thoſe witneſſes have ſaid may be perfectly true, and yet the caſe for the proſecution ſtand wholly unimpeached: Gentlemen, in your hands it remains to decide on the priſoner's fate, diſcharging at the ſame time the duty you owe to the unhappy man, and not forgetting the duty you owe to the publick.

The Jury retired for a ſhort time, and returned with a Verdict,

FRANCIS HUBBARD, alias NOBLE, GUILTY, Death.

JAMES JONES, alias PASTE, alias DEACON,
JAMES ARMSTRONG, alias OGDEN,
JOHN BAILEY, alias TAYLOR, alias DISDALL,
JAMES SAVAGE,
PETER DOUGLAS,
JAMES FRERE, and
JOHN CARRYL,
} NOT GUILTY.

JAMES JONES, and
JAMES ARMSTRONG,
} NOT GUILTY on the Coroner's Inquiſition.

Tried by the London Jury before Lord KENYON.

Clerk of the Arraigns. Francis Hubbard, otherwiſe Noble, hold up your hand; you ſtand convicted of the wilful murder of Jordan Hoſty; what have you to ſay why the Court ſhould not give you judgement to die, according to law?

(Proclamation made.)

Lord KENYON paſſed ſentence, as follows:

Francis Hubbard, in the abſence of the learned officer to whoſe ſhare it generally falls to diſcharge the laſt, a moſt troubleſome part of the duty belonging to thoſe who execute criminal juſtice, my duty to the publick is not yet diſcharged; there remains for me ſtill to diſcharge a moſt unwelcome taſk, which the neceſſity of the caſe has impoſed upon me: the caſe has been recently given in evidence in this crouded Court, and in your hearing; all the circumſtances of aggravation that belong to it are freſh in every perſon's mind; it would be to no purpoſe to go through them, in order to impreſs it; and I hope they have ſufficiently impreſſed themſelves on your mind, who are ſo ſeriouſly to anſwer for them: it becomes me ſtill, out of humanity, to ſay a few words to you; as this caſe, ſo developed as it has been by evidence, has undoubtedly ſhut the gates of mercy againſt you on this ſide the grave; and by the wiſdom of the law you are ſoon to appear at the tribunal of God, where your unalterable fate will be fixed for ever; you are going at a ſhort period from this time into the preſence of your eternal Judge; yet ſuch is the mercy of the Judge whom you are to meet, that even this time, well employed, one would hope, might intitle you to mercy from him, who will ſee what the repentance is that deſerves mercy; but you muſt not loſe one minute of the ſhort time, which the law has allotted you, to paſs, without turning your mind to your eternal ſtate, not only with the aſſiſtance that you will have, to make your peace with God; and if ſo, the judgement of the law in your temporal ſtate will not be of vaſt importance to you, if you can inſure your ſalvation in the more durable ſtate: I ſhall have diſcharged the whole of my duty when I have pronounced againſt you the judgement of the law; and the judgement of the law,

and

the ſentence of the Court, is, That you, Francis Hubbard, be on Monday next taken to the place of execution, and there hanged by the neck till you are dead, and your body afterwards to be diſſected and anatomized, purſuant to the ſtatute; and the Lord have mercy upon you!

Priſoner. Gentlemen, pleaſe to hear me ſpeak; all the gentlemen in this Court are properly convinced that I am a dead man; I have it not to anſwer for; I forgive every body that has ſworn againſt me; I am a dead man: as to Mrs. Carey, I forgive her for it; but I am a dead man.

The reſt of the priſoners left at the bar.

Mr. Garrow. My Lord, there are charges againſt all theſe perſons for offences leſs than this, but for dangerous crimes, and I muſt apply to your Lordſhip that they may be detained.

Lord Kenyon. Let all the reſt be detained.

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185. JOHN WILLIAM LOWE and JOSEPH BARTRAM were indicted for burglariouſly and felonioufly breaking and entering the dwelling-houſe of John Robinſon, Eſq; about the hour of twelve in the night, on the 26th of February laſt, and burglariouſly ſtealing therein three bacon hams, value 18s. and 16 lb. weight of bacon, value 6s. his property.

JOHN TOMM *ſworn.*

I lived with Mr. Robinſon, at Sion-hill, in the pariſh of Iſleworth, on the 26th of February; I know the houſe was broke open; I only ſwear to the property.

THOMAS FISHLOCK *ſworn.*

I am a carter to the Hon. Mr. Robinſon; I was in company with the priſoners on Sunday evening, at eight o'clock, at the Hare and Hounds, Wood-Green, about three or four hundred yards off; I was in the houſe from ſeven to eight, and left them there drinking; they had both ſmock frocks on.

JOHN HORWOOD *ſworn.*

I live with Mr. Robinſon; I take care of the houſe in the day-time; I locked it up between five and ſix that evening; the bacon was there then; I gave the keys to the ſteward, Mr. Atkinſon; me and two of my fellow-ſervants went to the public-houſe; Mr. Atkinſon, the ſteward, was at the dwelling-houſe, the farm-houſe; the drying-houſe, which was broke open, was within the wall which ſurrounds the houſe; we came back about eight, and went to ſupper at Mr. Robinſon's houſe; we went to bed about nine; in the morning, between ſeven and eight, I ſaw a ham that was left lay on the floor; the door was ſafe and locked, the ſame as I left it; there is no window to it, only a bit of a ſhutter; I ſaw the ſlates were pulled off, and thrown on the green; I miſſed ſome bacon, I could not tell how much; I had been there that night; there were three hams and a ſmall ſlitch gone that was between the hams; they are here.

WILLIAM ATKINSON *ſworn.*

I had the keys in the night, which the man delivered to me.

RICHARD GOSS *ſworn.*

I am watchman in the pariſh of Acton: about a quarter paſt two, I met a waggoner, who informed me of two thieves; and a waggon came paſt, and then another, and the priſoners were at top of the third waggon, a hay waggon; it was then about half paſt two, the 27th of February; one of the priſoners (Lowe) ſwore an oath, and ſaid he ſhould loſe a good place, for he ſhould have been at Groſvenor-ſquare, and afterwards he ſaid to the Fleet-market; he had two hind hams and a fore ham, and a piece of bacon tied up in a cloth; I called for a pen and ink, and ſet it down, and Lowe ſaid, it is a drunken frolick, we ſtole the hams, and if you will let me have the little ham, you ſhall have the others between you; Lowe had a ſmock frock on, Bartram had not; I ſaid I could not; here is a watch I wiſh to return to the priſoner Bartram (returned

turned it); Bartram ſaid nothing, he was aſleep pretty near all the time; Edward Witt was at my aſſiſtance.

EDWARD WITT *ſworn.*

Confirmed the above account, and added, In the morning, about five, William Lowe called me out, and offered me the things to let him go.

EDMUND NORRIS *ſworn.*

I am headborough of Acton: I had cuſtody of the two priſoners, and brought them to Bow-ſtreet.

(The hams and bacon produced by Goſs, and depoſed to by John Tomm, who ſwears to the large ham by two little nicks in the ſkin, and on the little ham there are three nicks and a place that is torn; I can ſafely take my oath they are Mr. Robinſon's; I ſuppoſe they got into the place by unroofing a part of the houſe, firſt by tearing the wood out that was nailed down to the planks, and afterwards raiſing the ſlates of the houſe, and laying them ſeparate on the green; then they tore off the lath: I ſaw the houſe in this ſituation next morning.

Horwood. It was all ſafe when I locked it up.

PRISONER LOWE's DEFENCE.

I went down to ſee my brother, and ſtopped till ten, and coming up Hanwell-lane, about eighteen or nineteen yards on this ſide Hanwell-bridge, there was a ſmock frock and this property lay; I went and examined it, and a waggoner came by; I aſked him to take it up; he ſaid, no; next came by a flour waggoner, and he ſaid he would not; next came by a hay farmer, and he ſaid, we will take it and leave it at ſome public-houſe, that it may be owned.

Priſoner Bartram. I was with him when we picked it up.

Priſoner Lowe. Our witneſſes are not here to-day.

John Horwood. The priſoner Bartram had a ſmock frock on at the public-houſe, which I cannot ſwear to.

Court. But at the time he had a ſmock frock on at the public-houſe, the hams were tied up in a ſmock frock?—Not at the public-houſe; he had a ſmock frock on.

JOHN WM. LOWE, (Aged 21,) } GUILTY,
JOSEPH BARTRAM, (Aged 35,) } Death.

Tried by the firſt Middleſex Jury before Mr. Baron HOTHAM.

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186. WILLIAM MINER was indicted for feloniouſly aſſaulting John Brice, on the king's highway, on the 18th of March, and putting him in fear, and feloniouſly taking from his perſon and againſt his will, one ſilver watch, value 50s. one ſteel watch chain, value 6d. one ſeal, value 6d. a metal ſeal, value 4d. a key, value 1d. his property.

JOHN BRICE *ſworn.*

On the 18th of March, about ten o'clock in the evening, my brother and me were turning the corner of Great Newport-ſtreet, and the priſoner came behind my brother and juſt ſnatched my watch out of my pocket; a ſilver watch and key, and two ſeals, as mentioned in the indictment: I have no doubt of the priſoner: he gave the watch to another man; I ſaw him; the man ſtood in the kennel; but I took the priſoner.

THOMAS WALEY *ſworn.*

My brother-in-law and me were walking along and the priſoner came round me and ſnatched the watch from him.

PRISONER's DEFENCE.

I was coming from Soho-ſquare, from Knox's; one of theſe gentlemen ran againſt me; he ſeemed in liquor; he ſaid he had loſt his watch, and took hold of me and took me to St. Martin's watch-houſe; I was ſearched, and nothing was found upon me.

Court. Were you, either of you, in liquor?—I was not, nor my brother.

Priſoner. I hope I ſhall be permitted to go for an Eaſt India ſoldier.

GUILTY, Death.

Tried by the firſt Middleſex Jury before Lord KENYON.

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187. JENKINS RADFORD was indicted for feloniouſly aſſaulting Mary, wife of John Lewin, on the 21ſt of March, and putting her in fear, and feloniouſly taking from her perſon and againſt her will, one ſilk petticoat, value 2s. one cotton handkerchief, value 6d. and two pieces of ſilk, value 6d. the property of John Lewin.

MARY LEWIN *ſworn.*

I am wife of John Lewin; he is a coachman. I was robbed of the things in the indictment; I was going home; I was in Green-ſtreet, Groſvenor-ſquare, about ſeven at night; I think it was the priſoner; I run after him, and was very nigh taking him, but a man came and hit me a blow on the back of the neck, and puſhed me againſt

againſt the wall; I continued the purſuit, and the priſoner was taken in ten minutes with the bundle, in North-row; he threw the bundle over the pales; he was never out of my ſight till the people ſurrounded him; but I could not ſwear to his face, becauſe I never ſaw it; he ſnatched the bundle off at once.

Court. Nothing paſſed before?—No. I know the things to be mine; ſome of the ſilk was dropped, and found by a man in Green-ſtreet; and one piece is miſſing.

JAMES AYRES *ſworn.*

I took the priſoner in North-row; I ſaw him throw the bundle over the pails; this is the bundle.

GUILTY *of ſtealing the goods but not violently from the perſon.*

Tried by the firſt Middleſex Jury before Mr. Baron HOTHAM.

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188. WILLIAM BAYLEY was indicted for ſtealing, on the 17th of March, one watch, the inſide and outſide caſes made of baſe metal, gilt with gold, value 4l. one ſteel watch chain, value 2s. one ſtone ſeal, value 12d. a key, value 1d. the property of William Studley.

WILLIAM STUDLEY *ſworn.*

I am ſervant to one Squire Thiſtleworth. I knew the priſoner laſt year at Brighton and at Richmond. The priſoner was out of place, and he came to beg a bit of victuals; and I left my watch with my fellow ſervant to get myſelf ready; the watch was ſold to another perſon; I never ſaw it in the cuſtody of the priſoner.

ISRAEL LEVY *ſworn.*

The priſoner came laſt Saturday was a week, about nine o'clock, to my ſhop, No. 11, Cockſpur-ſtreet, and offered this watch; I was called, and refuſed to buy it; he cried, and ſaid it was all he had left, he been indiſcreet enough to loſe all his money by inſurance, and wanted to go to his friends; I bought it of him, and gave him a guinea and a half for it; that was the full value; I am certain I bought it of the priſoner.

(The watch depoſed to.)

WILLIAM RICKETT *ſworn.*

I was felllow ſervant with the proſecutor; he delivered it into my hands to get my maſter's horſes ready; I put it into my pocket, and at twelve I put it into a cupboard in the ſtable, and about ſix I went to dinner, and returned about ſeven; the watch was in the cupboard; then I let in the priſoner, and gave him ſome victuals; he ſtaid in the ſtable with me a good while, and went away, and in five minutes after I miſſed the watch; no other perſon was there during the time, till after the watch was miſſing.

Priſoner. I have nobody to my character in the world.

GUILTY.

Tried by the firſt Middleſex Jury before Lord KENYON.

Court to priſoner. Where do you come from?—Out of Hertfordſhire.

Court. If any mercy is ſhewn you I hope you will be grateful in future, and behave like a good member of ſociety.

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189. JOSEPH BOOTH was indicted for feloniouſly aſſaulting Edward Howarth, Eſq. on the king's highway, on the 29th of February laſt, and putting him in fear, and feloniouſly taking from his perſon and againſt his will, one horizontal watch, capped and jewelled, the inſide and outſide caſes both made of baſe metal gilt with gold, value 16l. one ſilk ribbon, value 1d. one ſeal, value 2d. one key, value 2d. his property.

(The caſe opened by Mr. Schoen.)

EDWARD HOWORTH *ſworn.*

On Wedneſday evening, the 29th of February, I was walking down James-ſtreet; I obſerved

I obſerved three men; they came up to me and puſhed me, not a very violent puſh, but ſo as to make me ſtagger; and the priſoner came and took my watch out of my fob, and he ſpread both his hands, and at that time I obſerved a man on each ſide of him; it was done ſo inſtantaneouſly, like a trick of Breſlaw's, I could not prevent him; he ran up James-ſtreet; I purſued him; he croſſed Long-acre, and at the corner of Croſs-lane he either fell or ſtooped; I ran with great violence, and fell over him ſix yards; I followed him in a ſtrait line: he ran obliquely up Croſs-lane, and turned down Phœnix-alley; with this diſadvantage I was, I dare ſay, ten yards behind him, and I then called out ſtop thief! in the alley I ſaw him fall; I ſeized him, took him to the watch-houſe, and the watchman examined him: it was not the man at the bar that puſhed me, it ſeemed to be a joint puſh with the other two men; at that moment the priſoner came up and took my watch: I certainly never loſt ſight of him from the time he took my watch to the time he fell and was taken: when he was taken to the watch-houſe he ſaid, Sir, you are extremely dirty; and ſo I was; he ſaid, if I had been the man I ſhould have been as dirty as you; I aſked him why he ran away, if he was not the man? he ſaid he wiſhed to help me: I certainly ſaw nobody running beſides the priſoner: the watch has never been found.

JOHN KNOX *ſworn.*

On Wedneſday, the 29th of February, a little after ten at night, I heard the cry of ſtop thief! a man came by, and I knocked him down, and Captain Howorth came up and fell over him; he was taken to the watch-houſe, and nothing was found upon him; I did not ſee any body elſe running at that time.

Priſoner. I was going down Phœnix-alley, and there was a cry of ſtop thief! and they ſaw me meanly dreſſed and took me.

Court to proſecutor. You have not a doubt of the man?—Not the leaſt doubt.

GUILTY, Death.

Tried by the firſt Middleſex Jury before Mr. Baron HOTHAM.

Court to priſoner. What has been your way of life? — Selling things about the ſtreets.

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190. JOSEPH WARE was indicted for burglariouſly and feloniouſly breaking and entering the dwelling-houſe of Charles Cook, about the hour of nine in the night, on the 25th of March, and feloniouſly ſtealing therein, one cloth coat, value 3l. a linen ſheet, value 3s. and a beaver hat, value 3s. his property.

CHARLES COOK *ſworn.*

I live No. 6, in Thanet-place, Temple-bar. On the 25th of this month I went from my dwelling about nine; in a few minutes after I was fetched back, and the priſoner was in cuſtody.

MARY DICEY *ſworn.*

I live at Mr. Cook's. On Sunday laſt, the 25th of March, I heard a noiſe on the ſtairs; I was on the kitchen ſtairs; and a gentleman went up with me; it was about twenty minutes after nine; we went up ſtairs into the bed-room, and the gentleman lifted up the vallances of the bed, and the priſoner was under the bed; that is the man.

DAVID RANDALL *ſworn.*

I lodge next door to the proſecutor; and there was an alarm by the ſervant of thieves; I lifted up the bed clothes in the bed-room, and the priſoner was there.

MARY GROVES *ſworn.*

My maſter and miſtreſs went out about nine on Sunday evening. I was putting ſome flowers in water; and I told my fellow

low ſervant I heard a ruſtling, and within three ſtairs of the kitchen; I went acroſs the way and called the maid; and at the next door a gentleman came and went up ſtairs; when I ſhut up the windows there was a coat on one of the dining-room chairs, and a hat and ſheet on the table; they were gone; all the doors and windows were ſhut; I ſaw afterwards the ſtaircaſe window open, with the print of a man's feet on the ſtone-work; at twenty minutes after nine I went up ſtairs, and ſaw that window ſhut; nobody went up after me till the gentleman.

Priſoner. I have nothing to ſay, only they ſay a great deal falſe in it.

Court. Why, was not you found under the bed?

Priſoner. Yes; but that young woman was not preſent as ſhe ſays.

GUILTY, Death. (Aged 19.)

Tried by the firſt Middleſex Jury before Mr. Baron HOTHAM.

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191. JOHN MULLINS and JAMES CROW were indicted for feloniouſly aſſaulting John Aſpinall, on the king's highway, on the 24th of March, and putting him in fear, and feloniouſly taking from his perſon and againſt his will, a pair of breeches, value 2s. a pair of ſhoes, value 1s. a pair of ſtockings, value 1s. a pair of buckles, value 1s. and ſeventeen ſhillings in monies numbered, his property.

JOHN ASPINALL *ſworn.*

I live in the county of Durham. I was at Wapping-wall between the hours of eleven and twelve, near twelve, on the 24th of March; I was going on board my veſſel, laying at Stone-ſtairs; I was mate of her; there were three men, I think no leſs; one knocked me down on my back, and applied his foot to my ſtomach; then he put a knife to my throat, and took theſe things; (repeats the articles mentioned in the indictment.) I was ſtunned by the blow ſo that I am not able to ſwear to them, and it was a dark night.

JOHN KEEP *ſworn.*

I am headborough. On Sunday morning, the 24th of March, about one o'clock, I apprehended Mullins with this bundle on him in the ſtreet; he had the things under his jacket; there was another perſon with him, who eſcaped.

(The clothes produced and depoſed to by the proſecutor.)

JOHN COOK *ſworn.*

I apprehended Crow in New Gravel-lane, Shadwell; I did not find any thing on him.

JAMES M'CULLOCK *ſworn.*

The two priſoners and I went out together; Mullins knocked the gentleman down, and Crow took the money out of his pocket; Mullins took his breeches off his *nakedneſs.*

Court. What ſhare had you?—I had ſix ſhillings, ſo had Mullins, and Crow and Mullins had the clothes.

(The two priſoners ſaid M'Cullock knocked the proſecutor down, and committed the robbery.)

JOHN MULLINS (Aged 22) } GUILTY,
JAMES CROW (Aged 20) } Death.

Tried by the ſecond Middleſex Jury before Mr. Baron HOTHAM.

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192. JOHN HOPPER was indicted for burglariouſly and feloniouſly breaking and entering the dwelling-houſe of Robert Doe, about the hour of ſeven in the night of the 15th of March, and burglariouſly ſtealing therein, ſix ſhirts, value 30s. two ſhifts, value 5s. a neck handkerchief, value 4s. twelve pocket ditto, value 6s. and one towel, value 1d. his property.

ELIZABETH DOE *ſworn.*

On the 15th of this month we loſt ſome linen, ſix ſhirts, two ſhifts, four neck hand-

kerchiefs, one dozen pocket handerchiefs, and a towel; I had taken them in to waſh; I had ſeen them at half paſt ſeven, and miſſed them in five minutes after; they were in a front room on the ground floor; I was going to take my clothes in that were hung up to dry; the window of the fore room was puſhed up, and the things taken off a table; I ſaw the things at Mr. Staples's on the 16th of March.

JOHN COOK *ſworn.*

(Produces the goods.)

I am a headborough. On the 15th of this month, between the hours of ſeven and eight in the evening, I ſtopped the priſoner at the bar with this property; I ſtopped him in Whitechapel, within two hundred yards of the houſe.

(Produced and depoſed to.)

GUILTY, *of the larceny, not of the burglary.*

Tranſported for ſeven years.

Tried by the ſecond Middleſex Jury before Lord KENYON.

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193. WILLIAM EDWARDS was indicted for ſtealing, on the 8th of March, thirty-two quires of paper, called printing demy, value 20s. the goods of Millar Richie and James Sammels.

MILLAR RICHIE *ſworn.*

(The priſoner deſired the witneſſes to be examined ſeparately.)

I am a printer, partner with James Sammels. The priſoner was a journeyman of mine. On the 8th of this month (Thurſday) we loſt this paper; I miſſed it about half paſt two o'clock from the warehouſe; he was obliged to go through this warehouſe to the room were he worked: I found the paper in Oſborn-ſtreet, Whitechapel; it is better than a mile from my houſe; I found it at a Mr. Needs's; I know the paper to be mine by ſome ink marks, and the dog and cat had been over it; Robert Dawſon took it in his poſſeſſion, and has it now; I found the firſt parcel on the 8th, and the other on the 9th of March; on the 8th I found eleven quire, about two or three and twenty in the whole.

Priſoner. Did not you promiſe if I confeſſed I ſhould go free?—I really did not.

Court. Did he confeſs any thing without a promiſe?—He did; he ſaid he bought it.

Priſoner. The conſtable was preſent when you made the promiſe.

FRANCIS M'GOWIN *ſworn.*

I am ſervant to Meſſrs. Richie and Sammels. On returning from my dinner up London-wall, I met the priſoner with a bundle of paper on his head; on ſeeing me he turned back and ran away; I told my maſter; in the afternoon the priſoner returned and went to buſineſs; about eight o'clock he was called down; I did not make any obſervation on the paper he had on his head.

Priſoner. How came you not to ſtop me?—He ran away.

EDWARD NEEDS *ſworn.*

I keep a cheeſemongers ſhop in Bricklane, Spital-fields. On the 8th of March the priſoner brought a lot of paper, and I bought it; it weighed eleven pounds; I bought it for ſhop uſe; he ſaid it belonged to himſelf: on the 9th of March, I was not at home, the proſecutor came to me on the evening; the priſoner came firſt, and ſaid, the paper I ſold you you muſt deliver up, as it was not honeſtly come by; I delivered it up.

ROBERT DAWSON *ſworn.*

I am a victualler. I went to Meſſrs. Richie's office and ſaw the priſoner; I aſked him what he had been doing; he ſaid, I have been robbing my maſter: what have you robbed him of? he ſaid, a quantity of paper, which he had ſold in Brick-lane, Spital-fields; we took a coach, and went

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to Needs: he ſaid to Needs, Sir, I will be obliged to you if you will let me have the paper back which I ſold to you, for, to tell you the truth, it is not honeſtly come by.

(Produces the paper.)

Priſoner. Did not the proſecutor ſay, that if I confeſſed he would let me go about my buſineſs?—I never heard any ſuch thing.

PHILIP JOCELYN *ſworn.*

I am a conſtable. I only produce ſome paper.

—— BURROWS *ſworn.*

On Thurſday, the 8th of this month, the priſoner was aſked by my maſter how he came by that paper; he ſaid he had it from Davis's printing-office; Mr. Richie ſaid it was no ſuch thing, for he knew more about it than he imagined; then he ſaid he would fetch it back; Mr. Richie ſaid, ſomebody muſt go with him.

JAMES LEE *ſworn.*

On the 8th of March the priſoner came up into the ſhop and made uſe of theſe expreſſions to a Mr. Sill, "the coaſt is clear, and we may take what we pleaſe:" Sill is gone into the country.

Priſoner. Pleaſe you my lord. I have nothing to ſay, but to leave it to your lordſhip and the gentlemen of the jury. I expected ſome friends from the country, who are not come.

GUILTY. (Aged 48.)

Tranſported for ſeven years.

Tried by the London Jury before Mr. RECORDER.

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194. ANTHONY BIGGS and THOMAS LISSON were indicted for ſtealing, on the 23d of March, forty-eight glaſs bottles, called quart bottles, value 5s. the property of Benjamin Barley.

BENJAMIN BARLEY *ſworn.*

On the 23d of March I loſt four dozen of quart bottles, they were brought up into a back court behind my houſe to be waſhed; I heard nothing of their being taken till the priſoners were in cuſtody in the counter; I ſaw them at Guildhall on Saturday the 24th; I cannot ſwear to the bottles.

SAMUEL FLUSH *ſworn.*

On Friday night laſt I ſaw the two priſoners going up the paſſage with a hamper of bottles. I live at Mr. Blades's, on Ludgate-hill. Mr. Barley has a place in the paſſage where he waſhes his bottles; the priſoners had a hamper of bottles; I called to them, and they ſet them down immediately; they took them up and went acroſs the way; I followed them, and a conſtable ſtopped them, and took them to the Compter; and ſome other perſon took the bottles.

Barley. There was no thoroughfare through the paſſage.

PHILIP JODDRELL *ſworn.*

On Friday night, the 23d of March, I met the two priſoners: one ſaid they were glaſs bottles, and the other ſaid nothing.

ANTHONY BIGGS (Aged 22) }
THOMAS LISSON (Aged 19) } GUILTY.

Tranſported for ſeven years.

Tried by the London Jury before Lord KENYON.

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195. PAUL LEWIS ZAFIER (a black) and MARY FARLEY were indicted for burglariouſly and feloniouſly breaking and entering the dwelling-houſe of Robert Chriſtie, about the hour of two in the night, on the 21ſt of March, and burglariouſly ſtealing therein, a gold watch, value 4l. a ſtone ſeal ſet in gold, value 10s. a muſlin gown, value 40s. a pink ſatin petticoat, value 40s. a ſilk cloak, value 40s. a damaſk petticoat, value 6s. a chain, value 4s. a necklace gilt with gold, value 10s. the

the property of Elizabeth Mayles, ſpinſter; a man's linen ſhirt, value 5s. the property of Cornelius Laen Murphy.

A ſecond count, ſtating, that they did feloniouſly ſteal the ſaid goods about two in the night, and afterwards did break the ſaid houſe to get out of the ſame, againſt the ſtatute:

And THOMAS SHIRLEY was indicted for that he, on the 22d of March, feloniouſly did receive part of the ſaid goods, knowing them to have been ſtolen.

ELIZABETH MAYLES *ſworn.*

I lived at Mr. Chriſtie's, at the time of the robbery, that was the 21ſt of March, his houſe is No. 2, Newman-ſtreet: I was at home that night; I was aſleep.

MARGARET SMITH *ſworn.*

I was in the houſe that night; I went to bed about eleven on the 21ſt of this month; I did not ſee the houſe faſtened; about a quarter paſt eleven I heard ſome perſons come into my room, I was in bed; I then lodged in the ſecond floor; at a quarter paſt two ſomebody came in again; the ſervant-maid ſaid ſhe was to ſit up to waſh, I thought it was her; and about five minutes after four I heard ſome perſon enter the front room, and got out of bed to ſee if I had loſt any thing; I miſſed nothing, and ſaw no body, but heard ſome body go down ſtairs: about a quarter before ſeven I rang the bell, I got up, but I knew nothing that happened till between ten and eleven that day: I loſt no property.

ROBERT CLAYHOLME *ſworn.*

I know that the black priſoner I ſaw at eight o'clock, or thereabouts, that evening; he went out, and next morning this man came to my houſe.

MARY CLAYHOLME *ſworn.*

The black priſoner lodged with me between three and four months, always very ſober and ſteady till this affair happened; the next morning he came into my ſhop and ſent for a ſheet of paper and ſealed ſomething up, and gave it to me, and deſired me to give it to nobody elſe.

Do you know of your own knowledge that he was out that night?—No, I was in bed.

MARY EDALL *ſworn.*

Do you know any thing about this robbery?—No; help me God! I do not.

JOHN MILLER *ſworn.*

I am an officer; I went to the black's lodgings on the 22d of March, in the evening, the day of the robbery, and the maſter of the houſe, Mr. Clayholme, delivered to me this watch and a necklace, which Jaffier had ſealed up.

Court to Mr. Clayholme. Did you deliver that watch and necklace to Miller?—Yes, I did; in the morning I received this from my wife.

Mrs. Clayholme. I delivered them to my huſband when the officer came in: the priſoner Jaffier gave it me in the morning about nine, ſealed up in three ſheets of paper; I did not know what it contained; I delivered it exactly in the ſame ſtate in which I received it.

Elizabeth Mayles depoſes to the watch and necklace; I am ſure the chain is mine, becauſe there is a ſtone out; I ſwear to the watch; they were in Mr. Chriſtie's houſe the night of the robbery, I ſaw them; the watch was in my ſleeping-room, and the necklace was in the drawers in the drawing-room; I did not ſleep in the ſame room with Mary Smith.

Mr. Garrow, priſoner's counſel. I obſerve, Madam, that this watch is called the property of Elizabeth Mayles, ſpinſter; do you know any lady of that name?—My name is Mayles.

How long has it been Mayles?—Ever ſince I was born.

Upon your oath, Madam, is not your name Murphy, and has it not been ſo for a conſiderable time paſt?—No, Sir, my name is Mayles.

You never paſſed by the name of Murphy in your life, upon your oath; Mr. Chriſtie and his family did not know you at the time of this robbery by the name of Murphy, that is a very plain queſtion, capable of a very plain anſwer of yes or no.—Yes, Sir, I went by the name of Murphy.

And

And till after this robbery was committed you was underſtood to be Mrs. Murphy: we ſhall by and by enquire whether you are not the wife of Captain Murphy?—No, Sir, I am not; I did paſs as his wife.

Is not this watch his property?—No, Sir, it is my own.

How did you get it? did you buy it with monies of your own?—Yes, Sir, with monies of my own.

Not of Captain Murphy's?—No.

How many other lady lodgers are there in this houſe?—I and another.

When people change their names ſo frequently one does not know what to call them; how long have you been Mrs. Murphy?—About four months.

What was your name laſt, before that?—Mayles.

Never any other?—No.

Are you not married to Captain Murphy?—No, Sir, I am not married.

Are you poſitive of that?—Yes.

This woman at the bar was a ſervant at Mr. Chriſtie's?—Yes.

Was you alone at the time this happened?—No, Sir, I was not alone.

Did a Miſs Smith ever uſe your room when hers has happened to be occupied?—No, Sir.

You may have more friends call upon you than one at a time; if one room ſhould happen to be engaged one muſt uſe another?—That never happened to me.

THOMAS CARPMEAL *ſworn.*

I found theſe things at Mr. Shirley's houſe, Croſs-lane, Long-acre, on Friday the 23d of March, a black ſilk cloak, a petticoat, and ſhirt; Shirley was not preſent; I do not know it to be his houſe; he could not be found till night; he was out on buſineſs; when he was found he came to me, and delivered himſelf up the next day before the magiſtrate; the things were produced; he ſaid he bought them of the black.

Mr. Garrow. He came voluntarily to you at Bow-ſtreet?—Yes, he did; his friends were looking for him all day.

I believe he told you, which you afterwards found to be true, that ſome other property was offered to him, which he refuſed to buy?—Yes: I have known him a long time; he was always a particularly honeſt man.

You very ſoon get acquainted with people of a very different character?—Yes.

ALEXANDER PITTERKIN *ſworn.*

I am a watchman. At half paſt two I found the door open; I knocked, and the woman priſoner came and anſwered me, and ſaid, ſhe did not know how it came open, but ſhe ſuppoſed one of the lodgers came in lately.

Mr. Garrow. How often have you watched near there?—It is a houſe that is not very often open.

Priſoner Zafier. For myſelf I like liberty.

Mr. Clayholme. I wiſh to give him one of the firſt characters for the time I have known him; that I wiſh to give any man in the world.

JEREMIAH DONOVAN *ſworn.*

I am a ſurgeon. I have known him about twenty months; I always conſidered him as an extraordinary honeſt man, having had occaſion to entruſt him on ſeveral occaſions; I was about to take him into my ſervice at the time; I waited on Mr. Bateman for his character; Mr. Bateman gave him an extraordinary good one; he ſaid he had lived with him five years, and wiſhed to get him a good place: and the reaſon he parted from him was he had no occaſion for him.

PAUL LEWIS ZAFIER GUILTY *of ſtealing goods to the value of* 39s.

MARY FARLEY NOT GUILTY.
THOMAS SHIRLEY NOT GUILTY.

Tried by the ſecond Middleſex Jury before Mr. Baron HOTHAM.

Court to Mr. Donovan. Mr. Donovan, you have with great humanity and much credit to yourſelf ſtepped forward to give this poor black a character; are you ſo circumſtanced as to take this man or employ him or provide for him?—I will undertake to paſs him to his own country, which has been long his wiſh; he is a native of Pondicherry; he ſpeaks very little French.

Will you take him to night?—If it is agreeable to your lordſhip.

To be privately whipped and delivered to Mr. Donovan.

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196. JOSEPH LEIDMAN was indicted for feloniouſly aſſaulting Thomas Bartlett, in the king's highway, on the 1ſt of March, and putting him in fear, and feloniouſly taking from his perſon, and againſt his will, one watch, with the inſide caſe made of ſilver, and the outſide caſe made of ſilver and gilt with gold, value 4l. one ſteel watch chain, value 6d. two baſe metal ſeals, value 12d. two keys, value 1d. and one hook, value 1d. his property.

THOMAS BARTLETT (a Black) *ſworn.*

I live with Captain Bartlett, in Gower-ſtreet. I was robbed the 1ſt of this month, between twelve and one in the day, in Pall-mall; I was coming along, and ſtaid to ſee the Welch people come by, and wanted to get out of the way, and this chap here, and two more beſides himſelf, the priſoner caught hold of me, and ſhoved me againſt the door, when I found him ſtanding by me, he took out my watch directly, and the other men were behind; he quite involved me, and looked me in the face, and pulled out my watch; I caught hold of him directly and kept him; then all three began beating me, and almoſt broke my jaw; I cried out, and he was taken. I never ſaw my watch again; the other two eſcaped; it was a ſilver watch gilt.

JOSEPH CRIDLAND *ſworn.*

On the 1ſt of March, about a quarter before one, we were going with the Welch Society, and I ſaw the priſoner ſtriking Bartlett, and Bartlett ſaid he had his watch; and I ſecured him.

WILLIAM BLACK *ſworn.*

I ſaw no more than Cridland; I ſearched the priſoner, and found three ſhillings and ſixpence, and a ſmall knife, and twopence farthing; I put him into the watch-houſe, and then he told Bartlett he ſhould be glad to ſettle with him concerning the watch, to get his liberty; and ſo he told me the next morning.

EDWARD MAILES *ſworn.*

I was coming down Pall-mall, and ſaw the priſoner ſtrike the black man; that was all I ſaw; there were three or four people with him; the priſoner ſaid he had a wife and a child or two, and would give him any thing to ſettle it.

PRISONER's DEFENCE.

I was coming along, and the black man ran after me, and ſaid I had his watch; he ſtruck me ſeveral times, and I ſhewed my reſentment, knowing myſelf to be innocent.

—— WILSON *ſworn.*

I am an optician. The priſoner has worked for me upwards of twelve months, he was always an honeſt, juſt, true ſervant; I have often intruſted him to receive ſmall bills.

GUILTY, **Death.** (Aged 22.)

Tried by the ſecond Middleſex Jury before Mr. Baron HOTHAM.

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197. RICHARD TREVAIS was indicted for ſtealing, on the 12th of March, nine ſilk handkerchiefs, value 30s. the property of George Billett.

GEORGE BILLETT *ſworn.*

I am a linen draper, No. 120, Oxford-ſtreet. On the 12th of March I loſt nine ſilk

ſilk handkerchiefs from the door of my ſhop; they were affixed to the door-poſt; I ſaw them five minutes after they had been taken; a perſon whom I do not know picked them up, and gave them to me; the priſoner was taken immediately by William Earl.

(The handkerchiefs produced and depoſed to.)

WILLIAM EARL *ſworn.*

I was paſſing by Mr. Billett's, the 12th of March, about half paſt five, and I ſaw the priſoner take theſe handkerchiefs off from the door-poſt; he was going along the ſtreet, and rolling them up; I purſued and took him; hearing a perſon ſpeak to me, he ran acroſs Oxford-road, and dropt the handkerchiefs in the middle of the road; I ran after him, he fell down, and I took him: theſe are the handkerchiefs.

PRISONER's DEFENCE.

A man took the handkerchiefs, and chucked them down, and I took them up.

GUILTY.

Tranſported for ſeven years.

Tried by the ſecond Middleſex Jury before Lord KENYON.

Court. Where do you come from? ſpeak the truth now.

Priſoner. I was born in Bandy-leg-walk; I came out of Drury-lane.

What has been your employment?—I am a leather clog maker, I have been employed by Mr. Crouch, in the Hay-market.

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198. DAVID ROACH was indicted for burglariouſly breaking and entering the dwelling-houſe of Titus Flouret, about eight in the night, on the 16th of February, and burglariouſly ſtealing therein, one black ſilk gown, value 3s. one white muſlin apron, value 12d. a child's linen ſhift, value 6d. a cap, value 12d. a flannel petticoat, value 6d. the property of David Meredith.

DAVID MEREDITH *ſworn.*

I live No. 82, Wheeler-ſtreet. On Friday, the 16th of March, my wife and me went out between ſeven and eight, and returned a little paſt eight; when we came back we found the ſtreet door open; it was ſhut, latched, when we went out, but not locked; the priſoner was in the houſe with the property; I laid hold of him directly in the room, and the property was at his feet, all removed from the place where they had been left; they were the things in the indictment.

ELIZABETH MEREDITH *ſworn.*

I am wife to the laſt witneſs. I came in firſt, and there was the priſoner; I called to my huſband, and he ſtopped him; I latched the ſtreet door; there was no proper lock to it.

GUILTY.

Tranſported for ſeven years.

Tried by the ſecond Middleſex Jury before Lord KENYON.

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199. THOMAS WEBSTER alias BARNETT was indicted for ſtealing, on the 24th of February laſt, one woollen blanket, value 1s. the property of Edward Winter.

EDWARD WINTER *ſworn.*

I loſt a woollen blanket: I did not know that I loſt it till I ſaw it before the aldermen; I have had the blanket between ſeven and eight years; I have no doubt about the blanket.

ROBERT NEWMAN *ſworn.*

I am a conſtable. On Friday, the 24th of February, I was going down Chick-lane, I met the priſoner at the bar with the things mentioned in the indictment; I ſtopped him; I have kept the blanket ever ſince.

Priſoner.

Priſoner. Did I not tell you how I came by the property?—He ſaid he found it; there was lead wrapped up in it.

JAMES NEWMAN *ſworn.*

I can only ſay what my brother has ſaid.

Proſecutor. (Depoſes to the blanket.) The blanket was on his father's bed. (A quantity of lead pipe produced.) The priſoner was about one hundred yards from the proſecutor's houſe.

PRISONER's DEFENCE.

Pleaſe you my lord. I picked up the lead; and Mr. Newman took it from me, and ſaid, if my father would give him a guinea he would ſettle it; my father had not a guinea; and then he ſaid that he would proſecute me as far as the law would go.

Court to James Newman. Was he going towards home or from home?——From home, my lord.

GUILTY (Aged 20.)

Fined 1s. *and impriſoned ſix months.*

Tried by the firſt Middleſex Jury before Mr. RECORDER.

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200. WILLIAM BOND was indicted for ſtealing, on the 17th of March, one ſilk handkerchief, value 6d. the goods of John Cripps.

JOHN CRIPPS *ſworn.*

On the 17th of March I was going along Fleet-ſtreet, the priſoner picked my pocket; I ſaw him do it; I purſued him, and in the middle of the coach-way he dropped it; I ſaw him drop it; I picked it up; I gave it to the conſtable; I never loſt ſight of the priſoner.

(The handkerchief produced.)

The CONSTABLE *ſworn.*

I received a handkerchief from the proſecutor, which I gave him back again; it was ſuch a handkerchief as this, but I cannot ſwear to it.

PRISONER's DEFENCE.

I was going along Fleet-ſtreet, and hearing the cry of ſtop thief! I ran, as others did, and the gentleman ſtruck me with his umbrella, and almoſt knocked me down. I am innocent.

GUILTY. (Aged 18.)

Tranſported for ſeven years.

Tried by the London Jury before Mr. RECORDER.

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201. THOMAS JONES was indicted for feloniouſly aſſaulting Robert Smith, on the king's highway, on the 20th of March, and putting him in fear, and feloniouſly taking from his perſon and againſt his will, one cotton gown, value 20s. and one linen ſhift, value 5s. the goods of Elizabeth Charlotte Town.

A ſecond count charging the gown to be the property of John Hanbury.

ROBERT SMITH *ſworn.*

I am an errand-boy to Elizabeth Charlotte Town. On laſt Tueſday was a week I was robbed in Cheapſide; it was the 20th of March: I was going from Fenchurch-ſtreet to Portugal-ſtreet; I got behind a coach in Fenchurch-ſtreet and the priſoner got up behind in Lombard-ſtreet; we rode as far as the Poſt-office; the priſoner took my bundle from me almoſt oppoſite Milk-ſtreet, in Cheapſide: he got down in Lombard-ſtreet: it was in brown-paper: when I was trying to get down, he ſaid, I ſhould not, and ſnatched the bundle out of my hand; he did not lay hold of me or ſtrike me, he only ſnatched it away, and ran down Milk-ſtreet; I followed him all the way down; I never loſt ſight of him; he was taken with the bundle under his arm; he ran againſt a woman. Purchaſe, the conſtable, has the bundle.

Priſoner.

Priſoner. Was there not two boys with you before I came up?—No.

JOHN PURCHASE *ſworn.*

I was going towards Honey-lane-market, and I met the priſoner with the bundle under his left arm.

WILLIAM AISTROP *ſworn.*

I am conſtable of the ward.

ELIZABETH CHARLOTTE TOWN *ſworn.*

This gown is not mine, it belongs to Mrs. Hanbury; the ſhift is my daughter's; that is the gown I delivered to the boy.

PRISONER's DEFENCE.

I was going up to Piccadilly to my brother's who is a captain of a revenue cutter; fearing I ſhould be too late, I got up behind the coach where this boy was, and the coachman threw his whip over, and a boy threw ſome mud on the boy that was behind the coach with me; I got down in anger, and the bundle fell; I picked it up, and had not the bundle in my poſſeſſion a minute and a half before I heard the cry of ſtop thief! the bundle was picked up by the conſtable under a woman's feet: I can bring gentlemen to my character: I am a native of the Weſt Indies. I was *toſticated* in liquor.

GUILTY of ſtealing but not violently.

Tranſported for ſeven years.

Tried by the London Jury before Mr. RECORDER.

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202. JOHN WILLIAMS was indicted for ſtealing, on the 23d of March, a bacon ham, value 5s. the property of Robert Fiſh.

ROBERT FISH *ſworn.*

I keep a bacon ſhop the corner of Caſtle-ſtreet, Long-acre. I loſt a ham the 23d of March; it hung at the door; I ſaw it about ſix in the afternoon; and I ſaw the priſoner take it off the hook at paſt ſix; I purſued him, and he was taken; he dropped the ham; he was taken in leſs than five minutes; he ſtared me full in the face; I was behind the counter; I do not know who gave me the ham again.

THOMAS BELCHAM *ſworn.*

I ſtopped the priſoner in Mercer-ſtreet; he was running; he had nothing with him; three different people attempted to ſtop him, but could not; he ſaid b—t your eyes, if you ſtop me, I will cut your head off; he fell.

(The ham depoſed to.)

Priſoner. He ſaid at the juſtice that he would not poſitively ſwear I was the perſon, being dark, as I went paſt.

GUILTY. (Aged 24.)

Fined 1s. *and impriſoned ſix months.*

Tried by the ſecond Middleſex Jury before Mr. Baron HOTHAM.

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203. THOMAS BREWITT was indicted for burglariouſly breaking and entering the dwelling-houſe of William Adderley, about the hour of nine in the night, on the 25th of February, and burglariouſly ſtealing therein, one callico bedgown, value 2s. one linen ſhift, value 12d. one cap, value 6d. one piece of ſilk ribbon, value 2d. a pair of cotton ſtockings, value 6d. a ſheet, value 6d. a petticoat, value 6d. his property.

RACHEL ADDERLEY *ſworn.*

I am wife of William Adderley; he is at ſea. I live in North-eaſt-paſſage, Wellcloſe-ſquare. On the 25th of February my houſe was broke open; I went out at eight; I locked the door, and left nobody; I came back about nine; I found the door broke open; the ſtaple was wrenched double; I loſt the things in the indictment; there are two rooms to the houſe, but only one door: I never got any thing again but

the ſhift and the ribbon; I never ſaw the priſoner before he was taken.

JOSEPH WEST *ſworn.*

I produce a ſhift and ſome ribbon; the ſhift was taken out from his trowſers wet, by Mumford, and I was preſent; and the ribbon I found in his pocket: it was about ten or half after, the ſame night, I was going into the publick-houſe next door, and ran againſt two men; one was the priſoner; he ſpoke to me; that was about eight; and when I heard of the robbery I ſuſpected the priſoner, and went after him, and took him in Gravel-lane; the paſſage led to her court.

(The ſhift depoſed to by the proſecutrix, ſhe having juſt waſhed it, and having her work in it.)

Priſoner. Will you aſk the proſecutrix how ſhe gets her living; ſhe is a common proſtitute, and will ſwear any body's life away for the reward.

Proſecutrix. I did not know there was any reward given. I get my living in Roſemary-lane.

Court to Weſt. Is that true?—She deals in Roſemary-lane in old clothes.

Is ſhe a woman of character enough to believe?—I know nothing againſt her character for diſhoneſty; ſhe is a very ſlight acquaintance of mine.

GUILTY of ſtealing.

Tranſported for ſeven years.

Tried by the ſecond Middleſex Jury before Mr. Baron HOTHAM.

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204. JOHN GRIMES was indicted for ſtealing, on the 28th of March, 400lb. weight of hemp, value 5l. the property of Francis Armſtrong.

FRANCIS ARMSTRONG *ſworn.*

I am a wharfinger. The priſoner worked forked for me. I loſt 400lb. weight of hemp the 28th of March: he did not work for me that day. (Depoſed to the hemp.)

WILLIAM TOMM *ſworn.*

I am ſervant to Joſeph Hutton. The priſoner came about ten minutes before one, at noon, and aſked my maſter's carman if he wanted a job; they did not agree; I ran after him and aſked him if he wanted a cart? he ſaid, yes, for three or four ſmall bundles of hemp, and a few more ſmall things: I drive a cart: I aſked him where? he ſaid, over the water, to St. George's church; I agreed with him for four ſhillings; he ordered me to the wharf; he went before me to Miller's wharf; it was about ten minutes after one; he was up in the warehouſe of the proſecutor with his coat off, and his hat off; and he looked out and ſaid, hah; and he threw out four bundles of hemp into my cart; he ſaid, no more; he told me to drive to St. George's church; but I was ſtopped at the gate by one of the men; I took notice of the hemp; this is part of it.

HENRY JOHN *ſworn.*

I am Mr. Miller's ſervant. Mr. Armſtrong takes a part of the warehouſe. I ſaw the priſoner go up into the warehouſe, and watched him, ſuſpecting him; I ſee him throw the hemp into the cart, and the cart came in; I ſtopped the cart; but before that the priſoner came down; ſays I, who have you been loading that hemp for? ſays he, for Mr. Yates; I took him up to Mr. Armſtrong; going up Bond-ſtreet, ſays he, do let me go, Harry; ſays I, I cannot.

PRISONER's DEFENCE.

A gentleman met me about twelve with a pair of boots, and horſe whip, and he wanted a cart; ſays he, it is to take 400lb. weight of hemp into the Borough; he ſaid, he was in a hurry; at Millar's wharf; if you will load it, it is all ready looked out; and he promiſed to ſatisfy me for my trouble; he gave me a pot of beer, and ordered me to get a cart and load the hemp.

GUILTY.

Tranſported for ſeven years.

Tried by the ſecond Middleſex Jury before Lord KENYON.

205. MARIA

205. MARIA SIMMONS was indicted for ſtealing, on the 5th of March, two ſilver ſalts, value 15s. two ſilver tea ſpoons, value 5s. the property of Oſman Garrick.

OSMAN GARRICK *ſworn.*

I live in Flying-horſe-court, Maiden-lane. I was abſent when I loſt my property.

JANE GARRICK *ſworn.*

I am wife of the laſt witneſs. I was coming in about a quarter before ſeven in the evening; I ſaw a perſon on the ſtairs; I called twice, who is there? nobody anſwered; ſhe paſſed me; and I took her with the ſalts in her neck; I followed her to the corner of the court; I ſaid, lord have mercy, Poll Cooper! that is the priſoner; ſhe begged me to forgive her; the father and mother and I have lived eight years in one houſe; I gave her victuals when her parents turned her out; I thought I could truſt her with any thing; ſhe has an infant child to take care of.

THOMAS DEMPSEY *ſworn.*

I am the conſtable. I produce the ſalts and the ſpoons: I do not know who gave them me.

(Depoſed to.)

Priſoner. I leave it to my counſel.

Counſel. I have witneſſes to her character.

Court. You cannot carry character farther than Mrs. Garrick has done.

GUILTY.

Privately whipped.

Tried by the ſecond Middleſex Jury before Mr. Baron HOTHAM.

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206. JOHN ROACH was indicted for ſtealing, on the 23d of March, a cloth coat, value 1l. 1s. a pair of black velveret breeches, value 10s. 6d. a pair of drab ditto, value 8s. a pair of thickſet breeches, value 18s. a pair of velveteen breeches, value 18s. 6d. the property of Henry Brind.

(The witneſſes examined ſeparate.)

HENRY BRIND *ſworn.*

I live in Newgate-ſtreet. The priſoner was my foreman. I had loſt a great number of clothes from time to time out of my ſhop, off the ſhelves: on the 23d of March I loſt the things in the indictment; I concealed myſelf on one of the ſhelves, behind the clothes; and diſcovered another man and the priſoner come down to go to dinner at twelve; he brought down this ſuperfine cloth coat, which he had been at work on; he put it on the counter, and aſked my nephew if I was at home; and he ſaid to the man that came down with him, take ſixpence, and go get your dinner; he came to the private door, and my young man was at the upper end of the ſhop; he took the coat off the counter, and put it over his arm, and reached his arm, and took ſomething off the breeches ſhelf; he was very quick; then he reached again, and took a pair of black velveret breeches; he wrapped them up in the coat; he came out of the ſhop again into the entry, and went up three or four ſtairs, and I ſaw him placing the breeches and this coat very ſmooth, to go into a ſmall compaſs; he came down to go out; I jumped down and ſtopped him; ſays I, William; I have caught the thief; my young man came up; I ſaid, you have a pair of breeches inſide this coat; he ſaid, no, he had not; I opened them, and ſaw the breeches; then he let the coat and breeches fall to the ground.

WILLIAM PALMER *ſworn.*

Confirmed the above evidence, being the proſecutor's nephew, excepting that he did not ſee him take the things off the ſhelves.

GEORGE BARTON *ſworn.*

(Produced the things, which were depoſed to.)

GABRIEL GRANGER *ſworn.*

I am a pawnbroker's ſervant. I produce a pair of breeches, which I believe I received

ceived of the priſoner; I am not poſitive; for four ſhillings, in the name of John Roach.

(Depoſed to.)

(Another pair of breeches, which were found in his pocket, depoſed to.)

PRISONER's DEFENCE.

The proſecutor cut me down to ſixteen ſhillings a week; the proper wages are eighteen ſhillings, by the laws allowed by the lord mayor; I brought down the blue coat, and aſked his nephew for two buttons to put under the flaps; he turned to the window again; them black breeches were under the coat, as I laid it on the counter, and I was taking it up ſtairs, and he ſaid I robbed him; I was generally a jobbing ſort of a man; I had them breeches in my pocket, which I was bringing down; the conſtable knows I owned them before they were taken out of my pocket.

Conſtable. That is not ſo.

(The priſoner called one witneſs, who gave him a very good character, and offered to take him if at liberty, and who ſaid there were more witneſſes ready.)

GUILTY. (Aged 45.)

Tranſported for ſeven years.

Tried by the ſecond Middleſex Jury before Lord KENYON.

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207. SAMUEL SELF was indicted for ſtealing, on the 13th of February laſt, a canvas bag, value 6d. three pecks of beans, value 5s. a ditto, value 5s. 6d. and a ditto canvas bag, value 6d. four pounds weight of lettuce ſeed, value 16s. a peck of other beans, value 5s. and other canvas bags, value 5s. and fourteen hempen ſacks, value 20s. the property of John Field the elder, John Field the younger, and Robert Lebron.

(The indictment opened by Mr. Steel and the caſe by Mr. Knowlys.)

SAMUEL MARTIN *ſworn.*

I am foreman to John Field the elder, John Field the younger, and Robert Labron: the priſoner had been their foreman four months: the priſoner was very urgent not to go out; he wiſhed another porter to go out; he came back much ſooner than I expected; I watched him; he lodged in King's-head-court, Pudding-lane: between ſix and ſeven o'clock on Monday evening, in about ten minutes, he came out with a bag on his ſhoulder and a bundle in his hand; I followed after him immediately into Cannon-ſtreet, through Crooked-lane; he reſted at London-ſtone ſometime; I was joined by young Mr. Field; he went to the bottom of Fleet-market; he got into the middle of the way, and turned, and looked about him, and called a coach, and put his bundles and what he had on his ſhoulder into the coach; I opened the door, and ſaid, Samuel, I ſhall take a ride with you, I charge you with felony; I took him to Sir James Sanderſon; he delivered the key of his box to the officer; I did not go to his lodging; the things he had with him are here; this bag is the property of the proſecutors; as to the beans, one bean may be like another; I meaſured over the beans; we had four buſhels of that ſort juſt come in; and I found them deficient by the quantity contained in the bag; I know the bag by being torn in the ſeam; I have mended it myſelf; the handkerchief contains ſome white kidney beans; I knew they were his lodgings; none of thoſe four buſhels had been ſold.

JOHN BIGGS *ſworn.*

I was preſent when the priſoner was examined before the alderman; I examined the priſoner's box, and found ſome bags; he lodges in my houſe.

(The bags produced and depoſed to.)

Mr. Schoen, priſoner's counſel, to Martin. I preſume ſuch bags as thoſe may come to other people's houſes as well as to yours?—Certainly.

By what marks do you know them to belong

belong to Mr. Field?—I am certain by the No. 4. I found that bag in his box.

ANN JACKSON *ſworn.*

There were ſome bags brought to the George and Gate to be ſent to Croydon, but I cannot ſwear that the priſoner brought them.

RICHARD KIRBY *ſworn.*

I know nothing of this matter but what was told me in confidence by the priſoner.

Martin. I went to Croydon with Martin; we had a ſearch warrant, to ſearch Burnet's houſe.

(The priſoner called four witneſſes, who gave him a very good character.)

GUILTY.

Fined 1s. *and impriſoned ſix months.*

Tried by the London Jury before Mr. Baron HOTHAM.

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208. WILLIAM BLUNDELL was indicted for ſtealing, on the 29th day of March, one ſilk handkerchief, value 10d. the property of a perſon unknown.

JOHN ANDERSON *ſworn.*

About two o'clock on Thurſday laſt, as I was ſtanding in the houſe of Mr. March, in Fleet-ſtreet, the priſoner paſſed on the oppoſite ſide of the way: I ſaw him draw a ſilk handkerchief out of a gentleman's pocket; I ſaw the priſoner apprehended.

GUILTY.

Privately whipped and diſcharged.

Tried by the London Jury before Lord KENYON.

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209. THOMAS HART and MARY HART were indicted for ſtealing, on the 22d of March, a mahogany table, value 5s. a bed, bolſter, and pillow-caſes, and other things, the property of —— Read, in a lodging room.

ANN READ *ſworn.*

My huſband has been abroad fifteen months; he went to China. I let a ſecond floor to the woman priſoner about four months ago: I miſſed my property the 22d March; they had paid for part of the time: I miſſed a mahogany table; the bed, bolſter, pillow-caſes, &c. were all gone.

ANN LEIGH *ſworn.*

I live in the proſecutrix's houſe, and have the care of it. The furniture was found at the pawnbroker's.

JOHN DAWSON *ſworn.*

I am a pawnbroker, ſervant to Mr. Read. I took in two blankets and one pillow-caſe; they were pledged by the priſoner's ſon.

WILLIAM GREEN *ſworn.*

I produce ſome duplicates that I had from a woman in Drury-lane.

SARAH HICKINBOTTOM *ſworn.*

I called upon the priſoner, and ſhe told me ſhe had been gambling in the lottery, and would be very much obliged to me to pledge ſome bed furniture; I thought the property was hers; (produced) the bed furniture is the ſame that I pledged.

SARAH HAYES *ſworn.*

The 22d of this month I was aſleep, in bed with Mrs. Leigh: the priſoner came into the room, and aſked for the key of the ſtreet door; he went into the parlour; I heard a noiſe, and jumped out of bed, and I ſaw the priſoner give a table to Mrs. Hart's ſon.

JOHN DUPREE *ſworn.*

I took in this bed furniture of Hickinbottom.

JOHN DALE *ſworn.*

I produce the ſkirt of a gown and a table cloth; I took them in of John Johnſon.

PRISONER THOMAS HART's DEFENCE.

I am innocent. This is not my wife: I ſaw her ſome time.

(The priſoners called four witneſſes to their character.)

PRISONER MARY HART's DEFENCE.

The proſecutrix deſired me to pawn the ſheets for her for the lottery; ſhe keeps a bad houſe, and I am a common proſtitute; I pay her fifteen ſhillings a week for the lodging.

THOMAS HART GUILTY.

Fined 1s. *and impriſoned ſix months.*

(Recommended by the jury.)

MARY HART alias JOHNSON GUILTY.

Fined 1s. *and impriſoned ſix months.*

Tried by the ſecond Middleſex Jury before Mr. Baron HOTHAM.

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210. CHARLES THOMAS was indicted for ſtealing, on the 24th of February, ſixteen pounds weight of moiſt ſugar, value 12s. and two paper bags, value 3d. the property of William Barber.

WILLIAM BARBER *ſworn.*

My buſineſs lies ſo open to my ſervants that I cannot miſs a ſmall quantity of goods; I went up ſtairs with the priſoner, and he opened two boxes; there was a third, which he ſaid belonged to another perſon; I ſent for him, and when he came he ſaid the box did not belong to him; I then told the priſoner I would not be trifled with, and I ſent for a conſtable; then he pulled out the key; the box was opened, and I found the ſix bags; I gave charge of him; he begged for mercy; I deſired the conſtable to ſearch him; he found forty-ſeven guineas and a half on him.

JOHN OTINE *ſworn.*

I am a beadle and conſtable, Mr. Barber ſent for me: I ſtopped in the ſhop till I was called for: I took the money from him, as Mr. Barber has deſcribed; I was taking him to the Compter, and he ſeemed to have a deſire to get away. (Corroborates the remaining teſtimony of Mr. Barber.)

WILLIAM CHAPMAN *ſworn.*

I was in the counting-houſe of Mr. Barber when he called in the priſoner and taxed him with robbing him, and deſired to ſee the priſoner's boxes; he complied; and Mr. Barber deſired me to accompany. (This witneſs the ſame as the laſt.)

JOHN HANDS *ſworn.*

The box was not mine; it was the priſoner's.

(The priſoner called three witneſſes, who gave him a good character, one of whom, his brother, had lent him twenty pounds within three months.)

GUILTY.

Tranſported for ſeven years.

Tried by the London Jury before Lord KENYON.

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211. HANNAH EVANS was indicted for feloniouſly aſſaulting Thomas Beſt, on the king's highway, on the 12th of March laſt, and putting him in fear, and feloniouſly taking from his perſon and againſt his will, two half crowns and four ſhillings, in monies numbered, his property.

THOMAS BEST *ſworn.*

On the 12th of March, between twelve and one at night, I met the priſoner in Holborn, as I was going home; ſhe took hold of my arm and aſked me to go home with her? I ſaid, no, I was going home; ſhe kept hold of my arm, and would walk with me; in a little while I found her hand down at my pocket, and the bottom of my pocket up at the top: I loſt two half crowns and four ſhillings.

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PRISONER's DEFENCE.

I was coming down Holborn, and going home, the man caught me and took me under a gateway; I told him I did not like that; he aſked me to drink a glaſs with him; I, being an unfortunate girl, I went with; then he called a watchman, and ſaid I had robbed him; I had five ſhillings in my pocket; he ſent this paper to me.

Court to proſecutor. Where had you been?—With an acquaintance.

Are you a married man?—No.

Did you ſend that paper?—No; I never ſaw it before.

Are you ſure?—Yes.

Did you never ſend her any meſſage?—No, I never did.

Priſoner. I cannot tell who brought it.

ROBERT BROWN *ſworn.*

I am a patrol. I was coming down Holborn on the 12th of March, betweeen twelve and one: I ſaw this man and that woman ſtand at the end of Feather's-court, in Holborn; and coming back I ſaw them going down the court; they were cloſe together; he had hold of her; I heard him ſay, if ſhe would not give him the money ſhe took he would charge the watch; I took two half crowns and four ſhillings out of her hands; ſhe ſwore going up Holborn ſhe had no money about her.

GUILTY of ſtealing but not violently.

Fined 1s. *and impriſoned ſix months.*

Tried by the firſt Middleſex Jury before Lord KENYON.

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212. WILLIAM MORRIS was indicted for ſtealing, on the 17th of March, one iron bar, value 18d. belonging to John Gilman, fixed and faſtened to a certain area belonging to his dwelling houſe, the ſaid William Morris having no right or title thereto.

JOHN GILMAN *ſworn.*

I live in Charles-ſquare, Hoxton. I loſt an iron bar, I believe it was laſt Saturday ſe'nnight.

JOHN GLASS *ſworn.*

On the 17th of March I ſaw the priſoner with this iron bar, and another at half paſt ſix in the morning, in Whitecroſs-ſtreet; I ſtopped him; and he called two others, and one came up and kicked me, and the priſoner kicked me.

JOSEPH BLAYTH *ſworn.*

I am a plaiſterer. On the 17th of March I was going to work with my maſter, the laſt witneſs. (Depoſed to the ſame effect.)

(The bar produced and depoſed to.)

PRISONER's DEFENCE.

I found theſe bars almoſt covered with dung.

(The priſoner called three witneſſes, who gave him a good character.)

GUILTY.

Whipped and impriſoned one month.

Tried by the firſt Middleſex Jury before Mr. Baron HOTHAM.

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213. ROBERT PRICE was indicted for ſtealing, on the 13th of March, a bacon ham, value 12s. the property of John Birch.

JOHN BIRCH *ſworn.*

I am a cheeſemonger. I loſt a ham of bacon on Tueſday, the 13th of March, from a hook at my door, in Holborn; an alarm was given; I found the priſoner and the ham.

PRISONER's DEFENCE.

I was going along Holborn, and a man gave me ſixpence to take it to the Old Sun, in Moorfields.

GUILTY. (Aged 16.)

(Sentence reſpited.)

Tried by the firſt Middleſex Jury before Lord KENYON.

Proſecutor.

Profecutor. I had a very affecting letter from his father defiring he might be ſent to the Eaſt Indies.

Court. He muſt be tranſported: the Secretary of State may commute one kind of puniſhment for another: let it be mentioned to the Recorder.

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214. ALEXANDER SAUNDERS was indicted for feloniouſly ſtealing, on the 7th day of January, one linen bag, value 6d. and twenty pounds weight of feathers, value 20s. the goods of John Briant and John Thompſon.

JOHN BRIANT *ſworn.*

I am a lighterman. My partner's name is John Thompſon: we miſſed a bag of feathers out of my boat in January.

ROBERT BENTEN *ſworn.*

I took the feathers into the boat from the ſhip Providence.

WILLIAM HUGHES *ſworn.*

I ſaw the priſoner go down in Mr. Thompſon's lighter; he took a bag and put it under his arm; I do not know the contents; it ſeemed full; it was on Tueſday, January the 7th; it was the month following Chriſtmas: he walked up the yard from Bear Quay.

JOSHUA KANE *ſworn.*

I ſaw this man take a bag out of the luggage boat, on the 7th of February, I think.

Priſoner. I am innocent as the child unborn of the fact charged againſt me.

GUILTY (Aged 29.)

Whipped and impriſoned ſix months.

Tried by the London Jury before Lord KENYON.

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215. THOMAS CARR and JAMES SMITH alias LACEY were indicted for feloniouſly ſtealing, on the 13th of March, one cornelian ſtone ſeal, ſet in gold, value 2l. 10s. the goods of John Janaway and Thomas Wetherall, privily in their ſhop:

And WILLIAM GARLAND was indicted for receiving the ſame knowing it to be ſtolen.

(Mr. Garrow opened the caſe.)

JOHN GREGG *ſworn.*

I am ſhopman to Thomas Wetherall and John Janaway. On Tueſday, the 13th of March, Smith and Carr came to our ſhop; they both came in together, and as companions; it was between three and four o'clock; Carr deſired to look at ſome gold ſeals; and I took out ſeveral, and I proceeded to a ſixth, which he ſaid was the right one; my attention was taken off to ſome other cuſtomers, of the name of Mr. and Mrs. Parker; Smith ſaid to Carr, have you done? Carr ſaid, yes; and they both immediately went out of the ſhop; they had not only not purchaſed, but not aſked the price of any thing; I thought they left me very abruptly, and I looked on the counter and perceived there were only five ſeals, though I had taken out ſix: the two priſoners kept cloſe together, but Smith generally ſtood with his back to the counter, which gave him a command of the other ſide of the ſhop, where Mrs. Parker and Mrs. Janaway were behind the counter; I told Mr. Janaway, who juſt then came into the ſhop; and that they had ſtole the ſeals; he went out and brought them back in two or three minutes; they both at firſt were accuſed of having ſtolen the ſeals; they both denied it: the conſtable, Hillier, was ſent for; when they ſaw Mr. Janaway was determined to commit them, they both of them offered to pay for the ſeal, and deſired to know the price of it; I cannot ſay which ſpoke firſt; I believe I told them the price of the ſeal, becauſe I knew the particular one that was gone; the price was two guineas and a half; but Mr. Janaway ſaid, he would not take any money; if they were to offer him one thouſand pounds he would

would not accept it; they whiſpered ſeveral times together, and much wiſhed to have private converſations with Mr. Janaway or Mr. Hilliard; Smith went once to Mr. Janaway into our private door paſſage, but I was not preſent; Mr. Janaway told them he was determined to commit them; but I ſhould obſerve one thing, they took out their money and joined it together, which did not amount quite to twenty ſhillings; but one of them, I cannot ſay which, offered his watch as a ſecurity; that of courſe was undoubtedly refuſed; Mr. Janaway ſaid, he only wanted his property; Mrs. Janaway was in the ſhop, and might ſee what paſſed; ſhe is not here; on a coach being called, the two priſoners, Smith and Carr, Hilliard the conſtable, Mr. Janaway, and myſelf, got into the coach: it was ordered to drive to the Compter: Smith and Carr whiſpered together again in the coach; and then Carr ſaid to Mr. Janaway, if the ſeal is produced ſhall it all end? will you let us go? Mr. Janaway replied, he would make them no promiſe whatever: Hilliard, I think, or Mr. Janaway, aſked Carr if the ſeal could be produced immediately? Carr ſaid it could; Smith propoſed that Mr. Janaway ſhould let him and the other priſoner go, and Hilliard to make himſelf anſwerable for the return of the ſeal to Mr. Janaway; Mr. Hilliard ſaid, that was impoſſible, as he had never ſeen the ſeal, nor did he know it: the coach ſtopped at the Compter door; but inſtead of going in, Carr deſired it might drive to the Cape Coaſt Caſtle, in Leadenhall-ſtreet; but Hilliard ſaid that was ſo bad a houſe that he would not go there; and I think Hilliard mentioned ſome houſe in Lombard-ſtreet; the coach went on to the publick-houſe in Leadenhall-ſtreet; there Hilliard and Carr got out for the purpoſe of fetching the ſeal, leaving Smith with us; they came back in about ten minutes; Hilliard ſaid he knew the perſon that had got the ſeal, it was one Garland; two other men returned to the coach with Hilliard and Carr; one of them, whoſe name is Polock, offered to do anything to aſſiſt Carr; Polock was deſired by Carr to go to the Half Moon, in Alderſgate-ſtreet, to ſee Garland, and to tell him to ſtop there till we come; the coach was then ordered to Alderſgate-ſtreet; as we were going to Jewin-ſtreet it ſtopped, without any orders from withinſide; Polock, and the other man that we had ſeen in Leadenhall-ſtreet firſt, came up to the coach window, as it drew up to the pavement; they did not come cloſe to the window, they ſtood oppoſite, with their backs againſt the houſes; they were inſtantly joined by Garland; that was the firſt time I ever ſaw him; he looked into the coach, and then withdrew behind the back pannel of the coach; I was ſitting with my face to the horſes, ſo that I, in conſequence, loſt ſight of him; at the very inſtant of his withdrawing almoſt, a glove was put into the coach by a hand, which came from the part to which he had withdrawn; I could ſee nothing but the hand; the glove was given into the hand of Carr, and in it I ſaw Carr take out of the glove the gold ſeal; it was not put in the glove, but wrapped in it; I wiſhed to ſee Garland again; and I looked through the little round window behind the coach, and I ſaw him coming from behind the coach to the other ſide of the way.

Are you poſitive then that Garland is the man that delivered in the glove at the coach window?—Quite poſitive.

No doubt about it?—Not the leaſt in the world. As the coach was drawing up Hilliard ſat next to the pavement, and he ſaid, here comes Garland with the ſeal; the priſoners wiſhed to be releaſed; Mr. Janaway ſaid, he could not think of doing that, he ſhould commit them, and put them under the juriſdiction of the Lord Mayor: I have the ſeal; it has been in my poſſeſſion ever ſince; (produced and depoſed to) I am ſure that was the ſixth ſeal which Carr approved off; it has been in the houſe I ſhould ſuppoſe, ſix years; I have repeatedly bruſhed it.

Mr. Leach, counſel for priſoner Smith.

What time of day was it?—Between three and four.

Smith never appeared in the character of a purchaſer?—Not at all.

JOHN JANAWAY *ſworn.*

I am in partnerſhip with Mr. Wetherall. I ſaw ſix ſeals on the counter, and my man ſaid, Sir, they have got a ſeal; Carr and Smith were ſtanding near, but Lacey was ſtanding with his back to the other, ſeeming to me to wiſh to divert our attention from Carr; I purſued them, and told them they had taken a ſeal, and inſiſted on their coming back; they had turned up the paſſage to the market; they totally denied it both of them; I ſent for the conſtable; I had them both ſearched; nothing was found upon them; Lacey, that is Smith, was the firſt perſon that called me aſide; he aſked me if the ſeal was produced, whether all would ſtop? I told him I would have no private negotiation whatever with him, and immediately withdrew from him; they offered to pay any money for the ſeal, and preſſed me very much to take the money for the ſeal; I ſaid, if you would give me a thouſand guineas I will not take it; they both of them made me that offer; but Lacey was more ſolicitous than Carr; I think it was Smith that propoſed the ſeal ſhould be forth comingin half an hour; after ſome converſation, Hilliard ſaid, can the ſeal be produced? and Carr ſaid, it could, and if they would drive to the ſign of the Cape Coaſt Caſtle he would get the ſeal; but Hilliard ſaid, it was an infamous houſe, and my life would be in danger, and they would not permit me to go; then they drove to another houſe in Leadenhall-ſtreet, and Hilliard and Carr got out; and when they returned Hilliard ſaid, I know who has the ſeal, a man of the name of Garland; two men were ſtanding at the door of this publick-houſe, one named Polock, who is here; Carr deſired Polock to go to the houſe in Alderſgate-ſtreet, where he would find Garland, and to tell him to ſtop there till the coach came there; going down Jewin-ſtreet the coach ſuddenly ſtopped; not by any orders from us; and immediately I ſaw two men come up, Polock and another man; Hilliard ſaid, as the coach was ſtopping, here comes Garland with the ſeal; then I ſaw Garland come up; he went to the back part of the coach, and preſently there came a hand into the coach with a glove, but whoſe hand it was I cannot ſay; that glove contained the ſeal; the priſoners were taken to the Compter; Garland was apprehended by order of the Lord Mayor, the next day but one; it is our ſeal, the property of myſelf and partner; I have had it five or ſix years; it is what we call an old ſhop-keeper.

Mr. Knowlys. I aſk you whether you do not know Carr to be a young man very reſpectably related and very decently brought up?—Yes; I am ſorry to know it.

Mr. Leach. I believe the priſoner Smith ſtated him to be a man of fortune and character?—Yes.

Did Smith appear at all to interfere with reſpect to the purchaſe of the ſeal?—No: I looked upon him as a thief when he came into the ſhop; he wanted to divert my attention.

In the coach, as you was going along, I believe you thanked him, and was obliged to him for his interference?—I may have ſaid things improperly.

Did not you in terms thank him?—I cannot ſay I did.

Did not you ſay ſo in terms?

Priſoner Smith. You will pardon me, Sir, when I obſerve he has a very convenient memory.

Proſecutor. When the man came into the ſhop, I formed a very different opinion of him to what I do now; I conſidered that victim in the middle, Carr, to be a guilty man; but I believe him now to be drawn in by the other two villains.

Then there was nothing in the appearance of Smith of a guilty man at the time?—No; but he urged more particularly that it would be the ruin of him if he was to go before a magiſtrate; he ſaid that Carr was a man of fortune.

Priſoner Smith. Did not you ſay that you were very unhappy to have me committed, but that the next day you would do your endeavours to have me liberated?—

I did

I did repreſent to the magiſtrate that it was through you I got my ſeal.

I think you ſtated that Smith remained with you in the coach?—Lacey offered me any money.

Mr. Knapp, priſoner Garland's counſel. How long a time might elapſe from the time you ſet off from your door to Jewin-ſtreet?—About forty or fifty minutes.

The perſon, whoever it was, that put the glove in the coach you did not ſee?—No; I only ſaw a hand.

You underſtood that Polock knew Garland?—Yes.

Had the coach ſtopped in Jewin-ſtreet before Polock came up or afterwards?—Polock came up with another man, and I ſuppoſe was the means of the coach ſtopping.

How long after do you ſuppoſe that Garland came up?—Immediately.

RICHARD HILLIARD *ſworn.*

When I went into the ſhop I ſaw Carr and Smith; I knew Carr very well; Smith I had ſeen: Mr. Janaway deſired I would take theſe two men backwards, and ſearch them; I ſearched them very correctly, and I was convinced they had nothing about them; Mr. Janaway did not ſeem ſatisfied, and thought they had it about them; I ſearched them a ſecond time; in the courſe of the ſecond ſearch the priſoner Carr ſeemed deſirous to make Mr. Janaway ſatisfaction for the ſeal, by offering to pay for it; Mr. Janaway declined it; and Smith repeatedly ſaid, if you know any thing of the ſeal let the gentleman have it; we were half an hour in this way; Mr. Janaway at laſt gave me charge of them; the coach was called; we got into it; I deſired Mr. Janaway and his young gentleman to accompany me to the Compter; the priſoner Carr ſaid, if we go to the publick-houſe I think I ſhall be able to get it for you; where ſhall we drive to? ſays Carr, we will drive to the Cape Coaſt Caſtle; that is a houſe which I knew; it is frequented by ſeveral bad people; I did not think the place fit to take a gentleman to; and we drove to the City Arms, in Lombard-ſtreet; the perſon was not there, and we drove to the Bull's-head, in Leadenhall-ſtreet; when we got out of the coach, I ſaid to Carr, where are you going, ſays he, I am going to Chapman's; ſays he, if I can ſee Garland I ſhall get the ſeal; I have known Garland a number of years; we went to Chapman's; he was not there; we returned to the coach and drove to the Half Moon, Alderſgate-ſtreet; turning the corner of Jewin-ſtreet I ſaw Garland at a diſtance; ſays I, here comes Garland: I had ſeen Polock in Leadenhall-ſtreet; the priſoner Carr had deſired Polock to look for Garland; I believe I ſaid here comes Garland with the ſeal; in an inſtant Garland came to the coach-door, Mr. Janaway and I and Gregg ſat with our faces to the horſes; Garland retired to the hind pannel of the coach, ſo that we loſt ſight of him, and in a minute a glove was put into the coach, that glove was given to Carr, Carr gave it to Mr. Janaway, and out of that glove came the ſeal.

Mr. Knowlys. I believe you know that Carr has been very well brought up?—I have known Carr, not intimately; but I ſay upon my oath I have been fourteen years with Mr. Weſt, at the Poultry-compter, and I declare he has never been in cuſtody there.

Mr. Leach. Carr was ſeemingly very deſirous to make ſatisfaction, and Smith ſaid, If you know any thing of the ſeal, give it to the gentleman?—He certainly did.

And ſeemed very anxious Carr ſhould reſtate the ſeal, if he had it?—He certainly did.

Mr. Janaway at that time did declare that he really thought Smith was innocent?—He did.

Did he make uſe of any terms expreſſive of his ſatisfaction?—He ſaid, he was very ſorry for Smith.

Priſoner Smith. Did you hear the proſecutor at any time ſay, Why give him trouble?—The proſecutor ſaid, when terms were offered to him, I will accept of none; all I want is my property.

Did you think Carr would have been liberated,

liberated, on production of the ſeal, or detained?—Mr. Janaway uſing the expreſſion, all I want is my ſeal: he always, from the firſt moment, ſeemed very favourable to you, but very much againſt Carr.

Did he not ſay, that it was merely on my account, and my honeſt behaviour, that he had gone ſo far, and given himſelf ſo much trouble?—Something of that ſort was mentioned, but the words I cannot recollect.

Priſoner Garland. Whether or not there were not three men at the coach ſide beſides myſelf?—There were two or three; two I ſaw.

Priſoner Smith. Did I at any time expreſs my knowledge of thoſe houſes that you ſpoke of?—No, I do not recollect that you did.

MOSES POLOCK *ſworn.*

I know Mr. Carr well enough; I cannot ſay I know any thing elſe of the other two, much.

Mr. Garrow. Much! What do you mean by much?—Why, I know nothing at all of Smith?

Never ſaw him before?—I have ſeen him.

How often?—Why, may be three or four times.

In company with whom?—Why, may be I have ſeen him in the ſtreet by himſelf.

Now do not give me any more of your may bes; with whom have you ſeen him?—I have not ſeen him in company with any body; I may be ſaw him walking in the ſtreet by himſelf.

Did you never ſee him in company with any body?—With ſomebody that I know nothing of; never ſaw him in company with the priſoners in my life: I have known Garland by ſight four or five months.

Do you remember being applied to by Mr. Carr to go any where on this day?—I was to go to Cape Coaſt Caſtle to ſee for Garland; I came back to the Black Bull, in Leadenhall-ſtreet, I ſaid he was not there; he deſired me to go to the Half Moon in Alderſgate-ſtreet to tell Mr. Garland to wait there till he came; going along I met Mr. Garland the corner of Philpot-lane, London-wall; ſays I, Mr. Carr wants you at the Half Moon, he is coming there in a coach; going along Jewin-ſtreet the coach overtook us, and Mr. Carr ſaw Garland, and he ſaid Mr. Garland I want *that there as I gave you*; and Mr. Garland took a glove out of his hat that he had on his head, with a falſe lining, and put the glove into the coach.

That is the ſame Mr. Garland that is there?—Yes, it is.

And that is the ſame Mr. Carr that was in the coach?—Yes.

What name did you know Mr. Smith by?—I never knew him by any particular name.

You did not know his name?—No, Sir.

Mr. Knapp. Garland went with you directly?—Yes.

When Carr called Garland, he immediately attended to his call?—He did.

WILLIAM HOPKINS *ſworn.*

I am ſervant to Mr. Parker: my maſter and miſtreſs were at Mr. Janaway's ſhop on this day, I ſaw the two priſoners go into the ſhop; I ſaw them in the ſtreet ſome little time before, they were looking at the ſhop; they ſeemed to be looking at ſome ſeals.

Did they appear to be looking about the ſhop in any way that made an impreſſion on you?—Yes, I thought they looked rather ſuſpicious; they went in together; they continued in ſome little time, not a great while; they came out again togther, one after another, in a great hurry; I ſaw the ſtouteſt of the two, that is Carr, give ſomething to a tall perſon in the ſtreet, and that perſon immediately ran.

How near was the other gentleman in blue to the ſhort man at the time he gave ſomething to the tall man?—They were running one after another as near as they could: Mr. Janaway brought them back again almoſt immediately. The priſoner Garland looks ſomething like the tall man to whom Carr gave ſomething; I cannot ſay he was the man; he was ſuch a made man.

ROBERT NEWMAN *ſworn.*

I am one of the city conſtables; I apprehended

hended Garland on Thurſday, the 22d of March; I did not ſearch him.

Priſoner Carr. I leave it to my counſel.

HENRY NORTH *ſworn.*

I live in Tooley-ſtreet, a glaſs-manufacturer; I have known Carr a great many years, twenty years; I never knew any harm of him; I always thought him a very honeſt man.

Mr. Garrow. My Lord, my friend has a great many more to character; I know Mr. North to be a very reſpectable man; as far as character goes, you may ſuppoſe he has called one hundred reſpectable witneſſes.

Mr. Leach, on the part of Smith. I have many reſpectable witneſſes.

PRISONER SMITH's DEFENCE.

My Lord, if you will permit me to treſpaſs on your patience while I repreſent facts, which, I truſt, will impreſs your Lordſhip and the Jury with the cleareſt idea of my innocence; I had been returning from Greenwich, and unfortunately met Mr. Carr; he aſked me to walk with him, I readily complied; I went with him; we had ſome little diſcourſe reſpecting the lottery; he ſaid he had great ſucceſs; he had a watch without a ſeal, we went in to ſee ſome ſeals: however Mr. Janaway may prevaricate himſelf, they entirely exculpated me of any wiſh to divert their attention: on ſome diſagreement Mr. Carr left the ſhop; I immediately left the ſhop, and followed him; prior to this there was a perſon in company with Carr; he did not go into the ſhop; he went to the front ſhop; Carr joined this man, ſhook hands, and bid him a good day: we proceeded a little way further, and Janaway followed us; he ſaid he had loſt his ſeal; and while I remained in the ſhop, the circumſtance of this man being in company, I was under ſome agitation of mind; Mr. Janaway repeatedly exculpated me, gave me all thoſe aſſurances that he wanted nothing with me, wanted nothing but his property; from thoſe expreſſions, and the intimacy I had with Carr, induced me to ſay to him, If you have the gentleman's property, reſtore it to him: Hilliard joined in my entreaties, and ſaid Carr, why not return the gentleman his property; under theſe ſolicitations, and under the influence as I then ſeemed, and as Hilliard repeatedly ſaid at our examination; he ſaid, you ſpeak to him; I immediately ſaid to Mr. Janaway, If Carr will produce your ſeal, will you drop the buſineſs; he ſaid, I want nothing but my property; now they had entirely exculpated me with any knowledge of the houſes to whom the coach was to drive to; at the time his ſeal was produced, I rather thought that Carr and myſelf ſhould be liberated; I thought I merited thanks for the pains I took; he has thought proper ſince to change his opinion of me: whatever the verdict may be I muſt bow with reſignation: the perſon's name in company was Thomas Stout.

THOMAS STOUT *ſworn.*

I know the priſoner Smith; I was in company with him, Tueſday fortnight, the 13th of March, about nine in the morning, between nine and ten; we went to Greenwich together; he came to my houſe, and aſked me to make him a pair of ſhoes; we returned from Greenwich, and were coming the right-hand ſide from Cheapſide; we returned at three o'clock; there was Carr; he ſaid, how do you do, Smith; it was in a paſſage, where they ſell Burton-ale, in Cheapſide; ſays he, I am going to buy a ſeal, I have had money in the lottery; I thought he was a gentleman that ſpoke to Smith; I heard every word that was ſaid between them all the time; I think it was paſt three, to the beſt of my recollection; and they aſked me whether I would go, and I ſaid, I muſt go home; another man came and ſaid, how do you do altogether, or how do you do, gentlemen? Then I quitted them immediately: I know nothing of the felony, the leaſt in the world.

Did you, during this time, ſee Carr pull out a watch?—Yes.

Priſoner Smith. Was it poſſible that Carr and I could have made any agreement to purloin any thing, without your privacy or know-

knowledge?—No, I heard all the converſation.

Mr. Garrow. What makes you recollect that it was the 17th of March in preference to any other day?—The 17th! it was the 13th, on Tueſday; I had an appointment, at home, with Sarah Skinner; ſhe is not here; I live at No. 4, Phœnix-ſtreet, Soho.

Who is your landlord?—Mr. Martin; he is a taylor; I am a ſhoemaker; I work for my acquaintance; I do not keep any journeymen; and when I have not work enough of that, I work for any body that employs me.

So then the firſt perſon that joined your friend Smith was Carr, and he pulled out his watch?—I do not know; that is him.

Was that gentleman, the tall gentleman, Garland, the gentleman that came up?—I cannot ſay it was him.

Upon your oath, Sir?—I will take my oath that I never ſaw that man in my life till now.

Very well?—That I will ſwear; what I ſay is not till now; and what I call not till now, is not to know him; I never was in company with Garland before till I ſaw him now, if I was to loſe my life.

Do you know Mr. Lacey?—I do not know Mr. Lacey: I have known Mr. Smith near a twelvemonth; he has lived in Skinner-ſtreet, No. 2.

Is he a married man?—For any thing I know; he is not my acquaintance or friend; I never was at his houſe, nor no where at all particularly.

Why you have been at Greenwich together?—He lived at No. 2, Skinner-ſtreet, for ſome time, for any thing I know; I never was at his houſe I told you; he was married I always underſtood.

And had many children?—I do not know that.

How did you go to Greenwich?—Why, on foot.

And returned on foot?—Yes, both of us together.

Nobody elſe in company at all?—No.

What trade did your friend follow, Mr. Smith?—A taylor.

Worked for you?—No, never did any work for me in his life.

How happened it now, think you, that the attorney found you out to ſubpœna you, becauſe you never talked of this to any body?—Any body may find me out; I have lived twenty-eight years within five minutes walk of Charing-croſs; I ſuppoſe Mr. Smith had told the attorney to go to Mr. Stout's.

Was you here before ever?—No, Sir; nor never was in a cauſe, or a trial, before in my life.

What is your name?—My name is Thomas Tout.

Without an S.?—I do not think you behave like a gentleman at all.

WILLIAM WILLIAMS *ſworn.*

I live in Pennington-ſtreet, Ratcliff-highway; I have known Smith nearly two years; I never heard any thing of him but very honeſt.

Mr. Garrow. What buſineſs are you?—A houſe-broker.

What buſineſs was the priſoner?—A taylor.

You have known him intimately for two years?—Yes.

Where did he live?—In Skinner-ſtreet.

You have viſited him there?—Yes.

Frequently?—Yes.

Was he a married man?—Yes.

Any children?—I do not know.

Do you know Garland or Carr?—No.

Has Smith lived all the time you have known him in Skinner-ſtreet?—No.

Where did he live before that?—I cannot tell; he has lived there about twelve or fourteen months; I came acquainted with him through an acquaintance of mine.

What is his name?—Fiſher.

Is he here?—No; he is a hoſier, in Holborn.

You never knew Mr. Smith by any other name but that?—No, Sir, never.

Never knew him by the name of Lacey?—No.

Had you ever occaſion to attend here before for any friend of yours?—No, never.

Priſoner Smith. I will call no more; I think it is ſufficient; I do not think it is a

doubtful

doubtful cauſe; I will not call any more witneſſes.

PRISONER GARLAND's DEFENCE.

I had been in Jewin-ſtreet, the 13th of March, drinking at the Bull's-head, four or five hours; I came out by chance, and going home I ſaw three men; this *Mo. Polock*, and two more men; I caſt my eye into the coach, and went on; as for Moſes Polock, he is a common gambler; his brother has been caſt for death; and he has been taken up for ſtealing tobacco; and I hope you will give ſome credit to that: I never was nigh Cheapſide that day: my witneſſes were here yeſterday, but not to-day.

THOMAS CARR, JAMES SMITH, } GUILTY of ſtealing, but not privately.

Tranſported for ſeven years.

WILLIAM GARLAND, } GUILTY of receiving.

Tranſported for fourteen years.

Tried by the London Jury before Mr. Baron HOTHAM.

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216. JOHN COTTON and MARY ANN GRECION were indicted for burglariouſly and feloniouſly breaking and entering the dwelling-houſe of Mary Scott, widow, about the hour of ſeven in the night, on the 13th of March, and burglariouſly ſtealing therein three linen gowns, value 40s. one dimity petticoat, value 5s. a muſlin apron, value 5s. one linen apron, value 1s. two check aprons, value 2s. three muſlin handkerchiefs, value 5s. one muſlin frock, value 2s. a cloak, value 2s. two yards of edging, value 2s. three handkerchiefs, value 18d. five caps, value 2s. 6d. three dimity pockets, value 2s. three half cotton ſhawls, value 12s. 6d. ſeven yards of ſilk ribbon, value 7d. three muſlin caps, value 3s. a pair of mittens, value 6d. three pair of robins, value 18d. ten yards of ſilk ſaſh ribbon, value 5s. three muſlin caps, value 3s. one tin caniſter, value 2d. one linen body-lining, value 3d. one paper fan, mounted with ivory, value 1s. one pair of ſciſſars, value 1d. two linen ſhifts, value 3s. and three guineas, and two linen houſewifes, value 1d. the property of Elizabeth Scott, ſpinſter.

(The caſe opened by Mr. Knapp.)

(The witneſſes examined apart.)

MARY SCOTT *ſworn.*

I am a widow. I live at Shadwell, and keep a ſmall houſe there. On the 15th of March, a little after ſeven at night, I locked up my houſe, and went out: I faſtened every thing, and returned about eight; it was quite dark: I went out for ſome candles; when I returned, I found my door wide open, and my window broke: I ran up ſtairs, and miſſed my daughter's box from the landing-place, and then I miſſed the other things; my daughter had been come to me nine days from place.

ELIZABETH SCOTT *ſworn.*

I am the daughter of the laſt witneſs; I lived with her on the 15th of March; I went out at three, and returned about ten, when I went into my room I miſſed my box, it contained all the articles mentioned in the indictment: I ſaw ſome of the articles at the juſtice's, on Saturday morning, the 15th was Thurſday, they were my property.

(The things produced by Theophilus Butcher, and depoſed to by Elizabeth Scott.)

The value of the whole was five guineas; there were three guineas in money, but I mean five guineas without the money.

THEOPHILUS BUTCHER *ſworn.*

I am an officer of Shadwell. I apprehended the two priſoners at her lodgings, on Saturday morning, the 17th; they were at breakfaſt; ſhe ſaid they were her lodgings; it was in New Gravel-lane: I went there.

there in conſequence of an information; I pulled up the bed, and between the bed and the ſacking, theſe things laid; ſays I, how did you come by all theſe things? ſhe ſaid, they are mine, I have had them this week paſt. The priſoner Cotton was there, he was writing this letter, I looked over it, which letter led us to the diſcovery of the fan: we took them to the juſtice: I found nothing elſe.

GEORGE FORRESTER *ſworn.*

I went to their lodgings, on the 17th; I am an officer of the pariſh; they were both drinking tea: Theophilus Butcher turned up the bed, and found part of the property; as ſoon as ever that was done the man priſoner took the fan out of his boſom ſo, and put it under an iron grate in the fire-place, there I found it, I have had it ever ſince.

(The fan depoſed to by Elizabeth Scott.)

It was in the ſame paper.

EDWARD LUCAS *ſworn.*

I found this dimity pocket and a pair of ſciſſars in the room; neither of the priſoners were there then, it was a ſecond ſearch.

PRISONER COTTON's DEFENCE.

I got this fan from the woman priſoner.

JOHN COTTON, (Aged 19)
MARY ANN GRECION, (Aged 20) } GUILTY

Of ſtealing in the dwelling-houſe, not of the burglary. Death.

Tried by the ſecond Middleſex Jury before Lord KENYON.

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217. ROGER BRIDGEN was indicted for ſtealing on the 29th of February laſt, a gelding, price 30l. the property of James Gutteridge.

JAMES GUTTERIDGE *ſworn.*

I loſt a grey gelding the 29th of February laſt; it was almoſt like a coach-horſe, it was fifteen hands high; I ſent the priſoner to London with it, for Mr. Marſom, of Hoxton, to ſell for me; I gave him particular charge not to ride the horſe, but to walk him gently: I never ſaw the horſe ſince.

WILLIAM MARSOM *ſworn.*

I live at Hoxton: I do not deal in horſes. The priſoner was a ſervant of mine, he never brought me the horſe, he came to me on the day after he ſhould have come; I aſked him where the horſe was; he told me he had loſt it: I aſked him how; and he told me, a coachman was coming by, and frightened the horſe ſo that he got out of his hand, and ran away, juſt before he got into Barnet: I turned away to let in a cart, and the priſoner was gone before I returned. I ſaw no more of him till nine at night; then I aſked him where he had been; he ſaid to Barnet, but could not hear any thing of the horſe; the next day I went with him to Barnet, to make all the enquiry he could; I ſaid, now ſhew me where you loſt the horſe; and he fixed on a place on this ſide of Barnet, which was the riſing ground by the horſe-fair; ſays I, you told me you loſt the horſe on the other ſide of Barnet; no, ſays he, I loſt the horſe here: I aſked him what time he loſt him; and he firſt told me it was juſt the duſk of the evening: the hoſtler at the inn aſked him what time he loſt him; and he then fixed upon between ſeven and eight at night. I enquired everywhere: he told me he had enquired at Whetſtone turnpike, and at all the turnpikes; but the turnpike men denied it in his preſence; but he ſaid he did. I never ſaw the horſe afterwards: I advertiſed him, and on Friday laſt a coachman came to me, and informed me of the horſe.

JOHN SCARLET *ſworn.*

When I was coming up, on the Wedneſday evening, the 29th of February, on Finchley-common, I ſaw the priſoner, he was on a light-coloured grey gelding, with a ſpot on his near ſhoulder, and another man with him; he ſat behind the other man,

man, the other man had hold of the halter; they were on the near ſide to me, and croſſed over, and galloped over the common up Highgate hill, and through Highgate; they ſtopped at the Red Lion to water, then they went on. I ſaw no more of them.

Priſoner. I beg for forgiveneſs, that is all. A man aſked me to let him ride, and he rode away with the horſe; I was bringing him along the road.

GUILTY, Death.

Tried by the ſecond Middleſex Jury before Lord KENYON.

Court to Priſoner. You ſee now you have forfeited your life, before you make your exit out of this world, it is a juſtice to the perſon that employed you, to let him know where the horſe is.

Proſecutor. I hope your Lordſhip will ſave his life.

Court. Let a minute be made of that.

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218. WILLIAM GOODALL was indicted for ſtealing, on the 28th of March, one ram lamb, value 5s. the property of Thomas Goff.

THOMAS GOFF *ſworn.*

I am a farmer at Shepherd's-buſh; I look after a farm for Mr. Gomm, I am his bailiff; this lamb is my property; I loſt him the 28th; he was put in the over night, into the farm-yard; it was a ram lamb with a dam; I miſſed it next morning about half after five, I could not find it; I received information of it, and went to the gravel-pits, and found the lamb; the priſoner was in the round-houſe: the conſtable's name is Hale. I knew the lamb by the ſlit ear-mark in the off-ear, and a forked purſe.

——— HALE *ſworn.*

I am conſtable of Kenſington. I ſtopped the priſoner with the lamb: he ſaid he found it, and was going to ſell it. I put him into the round-houſe. Mr. Goff deſcribed the lamb before he ſaw it.

GUILTY, Death.

Tried by the ſecond Middleſex Jury before Mr. COMMON SERJEANT.

219. GEORGE BANKS alias BATES was indicted for returning from tranſportation, and being found at large on the 16th of March, without lawful cauſe.

(The record of the priſoner's conviction read.)

——— MILLER *ſworn.*

I apprehended the priſoner, the 16th of this month, at a houſe in Poplar: on my entering the room, he jumped up, and ſeized this piſtol, it was loaded with powder and two balls; he ſnapped it, but it did not go off; Kennedy was with me: a ſcuffle enſued, three other men were in the room; we fell on the ground, and ſomebody gave him a knife, with which he attempted to ſtab us. We called a coach, and brought him to Bow-ſtreet.

JOHN OWEN *ſworn.*

In December laſt, that man was tried and convicted for ſtealing a box, with different articles in it: I ſaw him tried, and heard him ſentenced to be tranſported for ſeven years: on the 23d of February I was ordered to eſcort him and ſixty-nine others to go to Portſmouth: they found means (he and three or four more) to get their irons off, and at Guildford he got away from me.

PRISONER's DEFENCE.

I had the piſtol in my hand; but did not intend to fire it. Pleaſe to look at that paper (gives in a paper). I was tried in October Seſſions, and honourably acquitted, and retaken again; then was at large four days, and a bill was found in the name of Wood for the ſame offence; the young man that was tried with me was acquitted; I ſent inſtructions and money to Mr. Garrow, by a woman, and ſhe never gave it him. I beg for mercy on account of my wife and children; my wife was brought to bed a fortnight ago.

GUILTY, Death.

Tried by the firſt Middleſex Jury before Mr. Baron HOTHAM.

The Trials being ended, the Court proceeded to paſs Sentence, as follows:

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James Noble (fined 1s.)

To be impriſoned Six Months, 25, viz.

Robert Bellamy (fined 1s.), Thomas Holmes (fined 1s.), John Cole (fined 1s.), John Rowe (fined 1s.), John Dufort (fined 1s.), Thomas Thornton (fined 1s.), Jane Vincent, George Rown (fined 1s.), Alexander Saunders, Thomas Webſter alias Barnard (fined 1s.), Thomas Williams (fined 1s.), Samuel Self (fined 1s.), William Blundell (fined 1s.), Thomas Hart (fined 1s.), Mary Hart (fined 1s.), John Simmons, of a former ſeſſions, (fined 1s.)

To be impriſoned Two Months 1, viz.

Cecilia Waters (fined 1s.)

To be impriſoned One Month 2, viz.

Hannah Evans (fined 1s.), William Morris.

To be Whipped, 2, viz.

William Morris and Alexander Saunders.

Sentence reſpited on ROBERT PRICE till next Seſſion, which will begin on WEDNESDAY, the 23d of MAY next.

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London Jury.	*Firſt Middleſex Jury.*	*Second Middleſex Jury.*
Richard Ryley	Samuel Collins	William Hale
Henry Haſwell	Richard Maſon	William Cliſhold
Miles Maſkew	William Cartwright	Richard Thompſon
Thomas Fenton	Thomas Yeomans	Thomas Durham
Henry Goldfinch	John Simm	Dennis Jacob
Samuel Doyce	Stephen Geary	William Dalſtone
William Southwaite	John Hawkins	William Skelton
John Miller	Edward Hanbury	John Pugh
William Siddons	William Dawes*	Henry Waite
Thomas Hughes	Samuel Ray	William Hooper
David Bryſon	James Phipps	Thomas Lee
John Rodbard	Chriſtoph. Langworthys	Thomas Gray

* Joſeph Aſhmore ſerved the ſeventh day in the room of William Dawes.

220 ROBERT ANDERSON, otherwiſe HENDERSON, and MATTHEW GOODALL, were indicted for that they, not having the fear of God before their eyes, but being moved and ſeduced by the inſtigation of the Devil, on the 8th day of May, on Suſannah, the wife of John Dell, in the peace of God, and our Lord the

the King, then being, feloniouſly, wilfully, and of their malice aforethought, did make an aſſault, and him the ſaid Robert Anderſon, with a claſped knife, value one penny, which he then had and held in his right hand, her, the ſaid Suſannah Dell, in and upon her right breaſt feloniouſly, wilfully, and of his malice aforethought, did ſtrike, ſtab, cut, and penetrate, thereby giving her, by the ſtriking, ſtabbing, and cutting aforeſaid, one mortal wound, of the length of one inch, and of the depth of three inches, of which ſhe inſtantly died. And the indictment further charges the other priſoner, Matthew Goodall, to have been preſent, aiding abetting, comforting, and aſſiſting the ſaid Robert Anderſon, her the ſaid Suſannah Dell, to kill and murder; and ſo the jurors aforeſaid, upon their oaths ſay, that both the ſaid priſoners, the ſaid Suſannah Dell, feloniouſly, wilfully, and of their malice aforethought did kill and murder.

They were charged alſo on the coroner's inquiſition with the like murder.

The caſe opened by Mr. Knowlys.

The witneſſes examined ſeparate.

JOHN DELL *ſworn.*

I was the huſband of the deceaſed Suſannah Dell; I live in Shawe's-court, Newtoner's lane; on the 8th of May I left off work about ſeven, came to the court, my wife, was in James Field's room in company with both the priſoners, and with Ann Laurence and James Field; Field and Laurence live together—I went up into the room; there had been ſome words between Anderſon and ſome other people either out of doors or in the room, and Robert Anderſon began upon me almoſt directly as I came into the room: he began upon me with a naked knife and ſwore he would run it into me; he had the knife in his hand; I told him ſeveral times to be quiet, treated him with a pot of beer, and the landlord alſo treated him with a pot of beer: he began afreſh, and my wife jumped up and caught hold of him by the arm and ſaid, my dear Bob, do not hurt my huſband. I told him, ſays I Bob, if I had a ſtick I would make you be quiet, but I had no ſtick or any thing elſe; he wanted me to take hold of any thing to defend myſelf; I took hold of nothing at all; my wife throwing Bob Anderſon on the bed to keep him away from me, had hold of him round the middle, got him in her arms; ſhe begged of him ſeveral times, my dear Bob do not hurt my huſband; ſhe did not give him an angry word then. James Field ſeeing Anderſon ſo reſolute with a knife, laid hold of Laurence and dragged her out of the room.—He told my wife ſeveral times that if ſhe did not let him go he would ſcore her—that was ſaid before Field took Laurence out of the room; they had not been gone a minute before I ſaw Bob Anderſon ſtrike my wife—I ſaw the blood—and ran down ſtairs directly and cried out oh Lord! oh Lord! they have killed my wife! they have killed my wife! Goodall begged of Anderſon for the knife; ſays he, Bob, give me the knife, I will ſerve it out among any of them; that was before ſhe received the wound: he repeated thoſe words ſeveral times; then upon my running down ſtairs Goodall followed me with a quart pot, and Robert Anderſon with a naked knife in his hand—I did not mind what he had in his hand beſide the quart pot, but he threw it at me, and ſaid he would cut my ſcull open—he hit me ſomewhere in the body, but I did not feel where in my fright.—Then they both came round me into the ſtreet, not many yards from Shawe's-court; they had both knives then in their hands, but how Goodall came by the knife I cannot ſay: they ſaid they would ſerve me as they had ſerved my wife; both of them made uſe of thoſe words, till John Fox coming up, and took my wife and them away from me or elſe I certainly ſhould have been killed. My wife had not provoked either of them or given them any angry

angry words that I ſaw or heard: my wife lived about three quarters of an hour; ſhe bled very much; ſhe ſaid not a word.

Mr. Garrow, Priſoner's Counſel. You had been at ſea ſome time?—Yes.

How long have you been at home?—Six or ſeven months.

There had been an improper connection between this young man and her?—Yes, there had been; they had cohabited together, but ſhe flew to me.

You all lived on friendly terms together.—Yes.

Theſe people had been drinking when you came home?—They were together when I came home.

And then very unfortunately, as it ſhould ſeem, there was more liquor got amongſt you?—I ſent for a pot of beer to keep them quiet, and my landlord another.

The expreſſion that Goodall uſed in aſking for the knife was while the deceaſed and Anderſon were ſtruggling on the bed?—Yes.

Goodall at that time, if he had any knife, had not produced it?—No, I did not ſee it.

He was aſking this man to give him the knife?—Yes.

If the man had given him the knife he might have prevented miſchief by it?—I do not know; I believe they were fully bent on murder.

You had no reaſon to believe ſo; you knew of no quarrel?—I had no reaſon to believe any other.

JAMES FIELD *ſworn.*

I lived directly oppoſite to this place where Dell and the deceaſed lived; I recollect the evening; on Tueſday the 8th of May laſt me and Robert Anderſon, and Matthew Goodall, and Ann Laurence, were together at my room, and we had a pot of porter between us four, and with that Matthew Goodall and Anderſon had ſome words together about two ſhillings as Goodall owed Anderſon, and Anderſon ſtruck Goodall, and they were cloſe by the window in the room, and there was a man, a ſailor, hollowed out in the court to Anderſon, and ſaid, are you not aſhamed;—and he ſaid to Anderſon, if you will come down ſtairs I will give you a good licking. Anderſon ran down, and they fell to fighting, and Suſan Dell hearing Anderſon's voice ſhe came up ſtairs and got him away from the man; that ſailor was not Dell:—then Suſan Dell and John Dell came up and we were all in the room, and the landlord gave us a pot of porter; we had another pot, which John Dell paid for; in the courſe of drinking the beer two little boys came up; ſays he I have brought them up to have ſome beer; and John Dell aſked him if he was not aſhamed to have a pack of little boys after him. Anderſon ſaid to Dell, what is that to you; and John Dell ſaid to Anderſon, if I could find a ſtick about the room I would give you a good licking, and he aſked for a ſtick twice: Anderſon immediately paſſed him with a knife in his hand from the window, and ſaid take the fender if you cannot find a ſtick and defend yourſelf with; he had the knife in his hand, but it was ſhut at that time; with that Suſan Dell ran between them and caught hold of Robert Anderſon round the neck becauſe he ſhould not hurt her huſband: with that ſhe threw him down on the bed in her arms, and ſaid, my dear Bob (to Henderſon) do not hurt my huſband: he ſaid, let me get up Suke, or elſe I ſhall ſtick you with the knife; let me get up; and at that time he ſaid to Matthew Goodall, Matt. Matt. take the knife, as he was down on the bed.

Mr. Knowlys. What did he deſire him to take the knife for?—I do not know; becauſe he did not mean to hurt the woman I believe. Goodall ſaid give me the knife and I will ſerve it out, but he did not offer to take the knife.

Mr. Garrow. You ſay you think Goodall aſked for the knife that he ſhould not hurt the woman?

Mr. Knowlys. Was the knife open or ſhut at the time?—I do not know; I ſaw it open; ſhe aſked him to lend it to her to cut

cut ſome pig's face about ten minutes or a quarter of an hour before the accident happened and he would not; then they got up off the bed a ſecond time, and he got from her ſomehow; and ſhe fell down a ſecond time; when Anderſon got up the ſecond time he ſaid here is the knife, I will give it to any of you: I ſaid leave the room to themſelves; I thought there was danger; I was examined before the coroner; Robert Anderſon ſaid while the woman held him down upon the bed, if you don't get up I will ſcore you; I then went to the bottom of the ſtairs and in a minute or two Dell came running down and ſaid they have murdered Suke; the two priſoners followed Dell; I then run up ſtairs and ſaw the woman leaning againſt the wall; ſhe then walked a little way, a yard or two, and then fell. Suſannah Dell lived with Anderſon during Dell's abſence; ſhe liked one as well as the other; I don't believe there was any malice from the priſoner to the deceaſed.

ANN LAURENCE *ſworn.*

About five o'clock in the evening Robert Anderſon and Matthew Goodall, came up into the deceaſed's room and they had a pot of beer, and after they had drank the beer ſome words aroſe about money between Anderſon and Goodall; Anderſon ſaid he owed him half-a-crown, and Goodall ſaid it is but two ſhillings and threepence, but I have no money and cannot pay you now; upon that he took up a knife and cut Goodall acroſs the hand; he cried, and told him not to cut him; I put up my hand to prevent the knife cutting Goodall, and Anderſon ſaid if the knife frightens you I will put it down again; he then took a ſtick and ſtruck Goodall, and the people in the court heard it, and a man ſaid, are you not aſhamed, come down and I will thraſh you: Anderſon took the knife off the table and ran down to the man who ſpoke to him; ſome blows paſſed, and Anderſon made a puſh at him with the knife, which by that means was broke; Goodall came running down and I believe ſtruck the man; Suſan Dell came down and prevailed upon them to return up to her room, and preſently came in the huſband: Anderſon and him began to joke, and then Anderſon pulled out a knife to fight him with; Suſan Dell ſaid, my dear Bob don't hurt my huſband; ſhe put her arms round him and threw him on the bed; Anderſon told her to let him go, if you don't let me go, I will ſcore you, I ſuppoſe by that he meant he would cut; ſhe did not let him go, but Goodall ſtood by the ſide of the bed; he had a pot in his hand, and he ſaid go it, Bob, go it, give me the knife and I will ſerve it out; by that I ſuppoſe he meant he would cut other people; immediately James Field took hold of my right hand and pulled me out of the room. I don't know on what occaſion he firſt pulled out the knife; as I ſtood at the ſtreet-door, I ſaw Dell run out, Anderſon followed with a knife in his hand, I cannot ſay whether it was open or ſhut; I ſaw Goodall throw the quart pot at Dell's head, but I did not ſee Anderſon do any thing; I went up about two minutes after and found her bleeding; ſhe died in about half an hour afterwards.

JOHN FOX *ſworn.*

I know the priſoners, I ſaw Anderſon and Goodall both with knives in their hands, ſtanding before Dell in Newtoner's-lane; I aſked Dell what was the matter, and he told me that Bob Anderſon had killed his wife, and they told him that they would ſerve him as they had done his wife; then they went away.

WILLIAM PARLET *ſworn.*

I am a ſurgeon; I was called upon to ſee Suſannah Dell; there was a wound on the upper part of the right breaſt; it appeared to have been given with a ſharp inſtrument; it was about two inches deep; it had almoſt divided the axillary artery; I have no doubt of that wound being the occaſion of her death.

PRISONER ANDERSON's DEFENCE.

The deceaſed and the witneſſes with myſelf were all drinking together, and we were very drunk, and words aroſe, and Dell ſtruck me over the ſhoulder with the fender; my Lord, I had too great a regard for the deceaſed to hurt her; Dell has got up at four o'clock in the morning and left me in bed with his wife; my Lord, he went and laid with a common proſtitute the very night his wife was buried, and lives with her now.

PRISONER GOODALL's DEFENCE.

Pleaſe you, my Lord, we were all drinking together, and Dell and Anderſon quarrelled, and Dell up with the fender and ſtruck Anderſon, that is all I know.

ROBERT ANDERSON, GUILTY, Death.

MATTHEW GOODALL, Not GUILTY.

Tried by the firſt Middleſex Jury before Mr. Juſtice ASHURST.

Sentence of death was immediately paſſed on Anderſon, to be executed on Monday next, and his body to be diſſected and anatomized, which was done purſuant to the ſentence.

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221. JOHN MOYSES was indicted for ſtealing, on the 24th of April, three cloath coats value 17s. two pair of ſhoes value 7s. the goods of William Sullivan, in the dwelling-houſe of William Williams.

WILLIAM SULLIVAN *ſworn.*

The priſoner came into his lodging between 11 and 12 at night; we ſlept together in Long-alley; I underſtood him to be a lawyer; the priſoner came to bed; I had a trunk in the room which I ſuppoſe he broke open, I ſuppoſe ſo, for I went to ſleep; I found the priſoner in Half-moon-alley, Biſhopſgate-ſtreet, which is very near where we lodged; I laid hold of him and he ſtruck me on the face; he went out about half paſt three, and it ſtruck me it was an early hour for him to go to work. I had a new pair of ſhoes lying on the table, and I thought he might *move* them; I got out of bed and diſcovered that I was robbed, and put on my night-cap and an old pair of ſhoes (he had taken away every part of my wearing apparel) and purſued him, and took the things from him: he was taken before the Lord Mayor, and was committed.

THOMAS PRICE *ſworn.*

Produces (the things mentioned in the indictment) the priſoner and the things were brought to the watch-houſe, he did not deny then any thing but the ſilk handkerchief; every thing I delivered to the proſecutor I marked before I delivered them to him; theſe are the things I took from the priſoner and delivered to the proſecutor.

WILLIAM TAYLOR *ſworn.*

I ſtopped the priſoner in Half-moon Alley, and helped to take him to the watch-houſe; he was running away from the proſecutor when I ſtopped him.

GUILTY. 39s. (Aged 27.)

Tried by the firſt Middleſex Jury before Mr. Baron PERRYN.

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222. WILLIAM M'COUL and MARY SMITH were indicted for feloniouſly ſtealing, on the 25th of April laſt, a purſe value 1d. and ſeven guineas, one half guinea and 4s. in monies numbered, the property of John Cogle, privily from his perſon.

JOHN COGLE *ſworn.*

I am an out penſioner of Chelſea College, on the 25th day of April laſt I loſt a purſe in which was ſeven guineas and a half and four

four ſhillings; I went out for the purpoſe of buying clothing; I was much in liquor: the purſe was in my waiſtcoat pocket; I was at the Weſtminſter Arms, Tothill-ſtreet, Weſtminſter; the woman priſoner was in my company; and ſhe aſked ſeveral of her friends to drink: M'Coull came in afterwards, and they took my money; I mean the people who were in my company:—M'Coull pulled me about, and pulled my hands acroſs the table; the woman took the money out of my pocket; the waiter ſaw her pull it out; I know I loſt it in their company; I am very certain I had that ſum of money in my pocket; I was going to buy ſome cloathing.

ROBERT DOWNS *ſworn.*

I keep the ſign of the Weſtminſter Arms, I ſaw the proſecutor in my houſe on the 25th of April, about nine o'clock in the morning; the proſecutor came in with the priſoner and called for peppermint and porter; I gave him change for half a guinea; he continued in the houſe till near two o'clock; I did not ſee him pull out his purſe to pay any thing. Seeing him getting a little forward in liquor about two o'clock, I begged him to pay his reckoning and go home; he ſaid he knew the company he was in, and was not afraid of being robbed; M'Coull came in about this time and called for a pint of porter, which was ſerved to him; then the proſecutor ſaid he had been robbed; and the two priſoners were gone out of the houſe.

ELIZABETH ELTON *ſworn.*

I am ſervant to Mr. Downs; I brought in a pot of half-and-half, and aſked for the money at the ſame time; theſe two priſoners went out together; another girl was ſitting in the proſecutor's company, and ſhe ſaid the priſoner had robbed the proſecutor; I told my maſter.

A WITNESS *ſworn.*

I am a ſoldier; I was at the Weſtminſter Arms on this day; this old gentleman and the woman were at the Weſtminſter Arms; I went there about three o'clock; I ſaw M'Coull and his companion come in; they ſat down in the proſecutor's company, and drank with the proſecutor; one of them left the proſecutor's company and came and ſat by me; directly after Wm. M'Coull ſhook hands with the proſecutor, acroſs the table; while he was ſhaking hands with him, I ſaw the woman priſoner take the purſe out of the proſecutor's right-hand pocket; ſhe got up and went out immediately; I was afraid to meddle with her for fear they would knock my brains out, ſo I told the landlord.

DUNCAN GRANT *ſworn.*

I apprehended Mary Smith, my Lord, on the 25th of April; I found ſome money upon her, which I produce; alſo a pattern for a ſhift and an apron: I took her on the 27th.

M'COULL's DEFENCE.

I called in at this public houſe, and had a pint of beer, which I paid for and went away out, and don't know whether any body went out with me; I returned again to Mr. Downs's; I know nothing of it.

He called three witneſſes who gave him a good character.

MARY SMITH's DEFENCE.

Pleaſe you, my Lord, to give me the grant of my money; I have nothing to ſay; I have only God and you gentlemen of the court.

MARY SMITH, GUILTY, Death.

WILLIAM M'COULL, NOT GUILTY.

Tried by the firſt Middleſex Jury before Mr. Juſtice ASHURST.

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223. CHARLES BUNDY was indicted for feloniouſly ſtealing, on the 17th day

day of April laſt, one ſilk umbrella, value 7s. the goods of Rebecca Bell.

REBECCA BELL *ſworn.*

I am a widow; I can only identify.

LUKE WINGFIELD *ſworn.*

On Tueſday, about two o'clock in the afternoon, I ſaw a lad put his foot on the ſkirting board, under the parlour window, and reached into the parlour, and took out a ſilk umbrella; he was purſued and taken, and the umbrella was taken upon him: I am certain the priſoner is the ſame perſon who took the umbrella; he is very materially altered: the conſtable has the umbrella.

JAMES GHENT *ſworn.*

I am a conſtable; I produce the umbrella; the priſoner is the perſon who was delivered to me by the laſt witneſs; the umbrella has been in my poſſeſſion ever ſince.

REBECCA BELL,

I live oppoſite Mr. Wingfield; this is my umbrella.

Priſoner. I picked up this umbrella in Baſing-lane, by the ſpout, and carried it along Bread-ſtreet, all the way to Watling-ſtreet.

GUILTY.

Tried by the London Jury before Mr. RECORDER.

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224. GILES SALISBURY was indicted for feloniouſly ſtealing, on the 26th day of April, 24 muſlin neckcloths, value 20s.; 6 ½ calico ſhawls, value 20s.; and a remnant of print, value 4s.; the property of Edward Nicholſon.

EDWARD NICHOLSON *ſworn.*

I am a linen-draper the corner of Bridge-ſtreet; I loſt the articles mentioned in the indictment; they were found in a box of the priſoner's wife; the box was at a Mr. Hobbs's houſe, where his wife lived; the priſoner was my porter; he ſlept at the ſhop on the day he was taken; I was called on by Mr. and Mrs. Hobbs, and they told me there were goods in their ſervant's poſſeſſion that they did not ſuppoſe were honeſtly come by. The priſoner begged to be forgiven; I went up ſtairs, and in the garret was the box; I found all the articles in the indictment but the half ſhawl, and that ſhe had on her neck (produces the goods, and depoſes to the ſhawls); theſe ſhawls are marked N. M. the priſoner eſcaped from me; I have no doubt of the whole of theſe articles being my property.

JAMES HOBBS *ſworn.*

The priſoner's wife lives in my houſe; Sunday 22d April I came from church, and the priſoner and his wife went into the yard, and my daughter told me he had brought a bundle; my wife deſired me to go up and ſee what was brought; I went and found theſe ſhawls; on Thurſday I went and informed Mr. Nicholſon of my ſuſpicions.

Mrs. ANN HOBBS *ſworn.*

The priſoner was my ſervant (confirmed the teſtimony of the laſt witneſs.)

CHARLES READ *ſworn.*

I am ſhopman to Mr. Nicholſon; I ſpeak to the goods as being Mr. Nicholſon's property; we never ſold ſix ſhawls together of that pattern.

PRISONER's DEFENCE.

I was ſhutting up the ſhop as uſual, and I kicked againſt this bundle, and ſeeing it white I picked it up and carried it and put it in my wife's box.

GUILTY.

Tried by the firſt Middleſex Jury before Mr. RECORDER.

125. RICHARD

125. RICHARD LEWIS was indicted for feloniouſly ſtealing, on the 10th day of May, one guinea, the monies of David Glover.

THOMAS GLOVER *ſworn.*

My father is a ſugar-boiler, in Martin's Lane. On Thurſday, about two o'clock, while my father's ſervants were taking in ten hogſheads of ſugar, after two loads had been delivered and paid for, at the compting-houſe, the priſoner came to me, and ſaid he had brought a load of ſugar; I aſked him his number? he ſaid 395; I told him I had no ſilver, but deſired him to call in half an hour; he objected, and begged I would let him go and get change; I gave him the guinea to get change; he never returned.

PRISONER's DEFENCE.

Pleaſe you, my Lord, and Gentlemen, I went along with a carman, and he adviſed me to give in that number: I took the guinea to get change; and going down Fiſh-ſtreet, the guinea ſlipped out of my hand into the kennel; and ſeveral people looked for it; and there was an odd ſort of a man, who I would not ſwear did not pick it up.

The priſoner called four witneſſes to his character.

GUILTY.

Tried by the London Jury before Mr. RECORDER.

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126. WILLIAM SMITH was indicted for feloniouſly ſtealing, on the 17th of March laſt, ten live tame cock pigeons, value 20s. eight live tame hen pigeons, value 10s. the goods of Ann Debonnair.

A ſecond Count, for ſtealing on the ſame day, ten live cock pigeons, value 20s. eight live tame pigeons, value 10s. her property, the ſaid pigeons being then and there kept and confined in a certain pigeon-houſe belonging to her.

(The Caſe opened by Mr. Garrow.)

ANN DEBONNAIR *ſworn.*

I live at Bromley. I ſaw the pigeons in queſtion the night before they were miſſing; I locked them up myſelf; I feed them every day almoſt; they were of a particular ſort; I miſſed them early next morning, between five and ſix, I loſt eighteen; I have recovered ſeven, which I am perfectly ſure are mine, and two I would not ſwear to. On Wedneſday, the 21ſt of March, I recovered them at Mr. Wooller's; I am certain they were my property; I recovered two others the 7th of April, at Mr. Lowe's, Spitalfields, one of which I am certain of; I brought them home in the cages lent me, and turned them into the pigeon-houſe; they all reſorted to their neſts, particularly two of them that left their young behind; I have not the leaſt doubt in the world. I know nothing of the priſoner; I ſaw him once before; he offered to ſell me a dog within a fortnight from the time I loſt my pigeons.

ABRAHAM WOOLLER *ſworn.*

I keep a bird-ſhop facing Gray's-inn-lane, and buy and ſell pigeons and fowls. I bought ſeven pigeons of the priſoner, in the morning, about eight; I had juſt come from market; it was Monday, the 19th of March; they are the ſame I delivered to the lady, which I bought of the priſoner; I am ſure he is the man; I never ſaw him before; he gave me no account of them; I bought them as his property.

THOMAS LOWE *ſworn.*

I live in Brown's-lane, Spitalfields. I bought three pigeons; I think it was the 4th of April; I am not certain whether I bought them of the priſoner; I kept them till I delivered them to the lady.

RICHARD COWLEY *ſworn.*

I am coachman to Miſs Debonnair. I ſaw the pigeons on the day before they were loſt, about a quarter before five in the morning; ſome tiles were taken off the

pigeon-houſe; I have ſeen them ſince; they are her property.

EDWARD EDWARDS *ſworn.*

I am the footman; I know theſe pigeons: (produced and depoſed to): they were turned into the pigeon-houſe, and they took to their old places; I have not the leaſt doubt of them.

Miſs Debonnair. They are my pigeons; they are tame; I valued the ſix at a guinea and a half, and a crown for the other; ſome of them are worth a guinea apiece.

PRISONER's DEFENCE.

I worked for Mr. Raike, cooper at Stratford, for twelve months. About nine or ten weeks paſt, I came to town, and ſtopped in Whitechapel Road, and there came in a perſon who I knew by ſight; we had a pint of porter; he wanted to diſpoſe of ſome pigeons which he had, and aſked me to buy them; I ſaid I could help him to a cuſtomer; I told him he might ſell them in Holborn; he ſaid he had a diſpute with the man, and he thought, if he went with them himſelf, the man would not buy them; and if I would go and bargain with the man, he would pay me; ſo I went; the man bid me eleven ſhillings, which I took, and came away, and gave the man the money; we went to drink. On Thurſday evening, he waited for me at the Swan in Brown's-lane, and told me he had ſeven more; and I ſold three for five ſhillings and three-pence; ſo, my Lords and gentlemen of the Jury, you will conſider in your own breaſts, whether you think any perſon can with ſafety ſwear to the pigeons which is brought, which always ſhifts its feathers twice a year.

The priſoner called one witneſs to his character.

GUILTY.

Tried by the firſt Middleſex Jury, before Mr. Juſtice ASHURST.

127. WILLIAM CROPPER and ANN MOUNTAIN, otherwiſe his wife, WILLIAM POTTS, and JAMES MESSER, were indicted for burglariouſly and feloniouſly breaking and entering the dwelling-houſe of John Bateman, about the hour of two in the night, on the 18th of April laſt, and burglariouſly ſtealing therein, twelve plain gold rings, value 48s. twelve twiſt and cut gold rings, value 24s. twelve pair of gold ear-rings, value 7l. nine gold breaſt-pins, value 7s. twelve gold ſeals, value 15l. twelve gold trinkets, value 48s. three dozen of gold fancy rings, value 50s. fifty pair of ſilver ſhoe-buckles, value 50l. eight pair of ſilver ſugar-tongs, value 48s. a ſilver pap-ſpoon, value 5s. five ſilver ſalt-ſpoons, value 15s. three ſilver caſter-tops, value 3s. five ſilver ſalts, value 3l. five dozen of ſilver tea-ſpoons, value 8l. four ſilver butter-ladles, value 50s. two dozen of gold and ſilver ſhirt-pins, value 3l. eight ſilver bladed knives, value 40s. five pair of paſte ſhoe-buckles, ſet in ſilver, value 4l. a dozen of ſilver pencil-caſes, value 40s. a baſe-metal candleſtick, plated with ſilver, value 15s. a ditto coffee-pot, value 20s. a ditto half-pint mug, value 10s. a dozen of paſte ſtock-buckles, ſet in ſilver, value 40s. a baſe-metal tankard, value 10s. two pair of baſe-metal buckles, value 8s. two ivory tooth-pick caſes, mounted with gold, value 15s. two ſilver baſkets, value 30l. a tortoiſeſhell caddy-ſpoon, value 18d. forty fancy buckles, value 4l. a pair of black ſtone knee-buckles, ſet in baſe metal, value 4s. three pair of baſe-metal knee-buckles, value 4s. his property.

(The Caſe opened by Mr. Garrow.)

JOHN BATEMAN *ſworn.*

I live in Little Red-lion-ſtreet, Whitechapel: I am a ſilver-ſmith, gold-ſmith, and hardware-man. I went to bed, I think, at twelve, on the evening of the 18th of April; I am ſure my houſe and ſhop were ſafe; in the morning we were alarmed between four and five; when I came down, I found ſeveral of the drawers laying on the floor empty,

empty, and the greater part of the things gone; I had been robbed of between two and three hundred pounds; the hearth-ſtone had been broken of a cellar that we let to Mr. M'Cray, an oil-man; my kitchen is on the ground-floor, over Mr. M'Cray's cellar; the hearth part was arched with bricks; Mr. M'Cray has a ſeparate entrance, quite diſtinct; I loſt all the articles mentioned in the indictment, and I believe a good deal more; the prices are low and fair, and much under the real value; I believe I got a warrant againſt Cropper, from Mr. Staples, between ſix and ſeven; I went with the officer to ſearch Cropper's houſe, between ſeven and eight o'clock that ſame morning; when we came to Cropper's, we ſaw three or four men ſitting by the fire, in Cropper's houſe; I do not know that I knew them; we left ſome people with them, and Cooke an officer, and Mr. Edge, went up ſtairs; and I went up alſo, and found Cook the officer, ſearching Cropper's wife; I ſaw them take out of her pocket, a pair of ſilver ſugar-tongs, ſix ſilver tea-ſpoons, and two ſilver ſhoe-buckles, which are in the indictment; I ſaid they were my property; ſhe was taken to the watch-houſe; in the ſoil of the neceſſary I found a great many chapes and tongues which had been knocked out of the ſilver buckles; Mr. Cropper was up ſtairs; they took him and the others; I ſtaid with Mr. Edge, to ſearch the houſe; Cohen, a witneſs, came to the window, and ſeeing ſomething the matter, he ran away; I ran after him with a little iron crow which I found in the houſe; I took him to my houſe; he produced nothing at that time; I got another warrant to ſearch his houſe; in his wife's pocket we found half a dozen ſilver tea-ſpoons, my property, and mentioned in the indictment; then they took Cohen's wife to the office; we found no further property; I did not ſee the bottle-ſtands found; I did not ſee Potts at Cropper's houſe; Meſſer I think was there, but I am not certain; Cropper was up ſtairs when I ſaw him, which was about half an hour after; I do not know it was Cropper's houſe; I never ſaw Cropper before.

Priſoner Cropper. Which way did they get into the cellar?—I ſuppoſe through the door.

Have you any ſervants that ſleep in the houſe?—To be ſure, in a room adjoining the ſhop; it is a long way from where they lay to where the perſons got in.

Court. Could this diſturbance have been made in the ſhop, without their hearing?—I think I ſhould have heard it; but as they went to bed late, they might not hear it.

Priſoner. How high was the archway?—Not ſo high as this ſounding-board.

Do you think it poſſible that a perſon in my ſituation (being lame) could get into ſuch a place?—The Jury muſt judge of that.

Can you poſitively ſwear to the things that were taken out of my wife's pocket?—I can, and have, with the exception of the table-ſpoon.

THOMAS EDGE *ſworn.*

I was one of the headboroughs of Whitechapel. I went to Cropper's houſe before five in the morning, before Mr. Bateman went; when I came to Cropper's houſe, I clapped my back againſt the window, and heard a nicking; I ſtood there, and called to a publican for ſomething to drink; his name is Moody; Cropper came by from Petticoat-lane; he ſpoke to me; I was at a little diſtance from Cropper's, about five yards off, on the ſame ſide of the way; he paſſed Moody's houſe, and then came up to me; he paſſed me, coming from Petticoat-lane, to go to his own houſe; in the doing which, he muſt paſs me; I was calling to Moody for ſomething to drink; Cropper ſaid, Moody will not be up this hour and a half; I ſaid he muſt get up; Cropper was alone, and went paſt me to his own houſe; it was quite day-light; as Cropper paſſed me, his right ſhoulder was dirty with dry mortar, apparently from a broken wall, as though he had ſqueezed through a broken brick wall; I took particular notice of that, and that his countenance fell a little; after

Cropper

Cropper was in, Meſſer paſſed me with his handkerchief under his coat, and ſomething in it, of the ſize of a hat-crown; he knocked at Cropper's door, and a voice within, Who is there? Meſſer ſaid, It is me; the door was opened, and in he went; he returned out the ſame way in about two minutes; in about five minutes after, the priſoner Potts came out from Cropper's with a common corn-ſack, and ſomething in it; I followed him; when I came near to Petticoat-lane, I took it off his ſhoulders; I aſked him what he had? he ſaid, a few things he was going to take to market; they appeared to be ſuch as Mr. Bateman ſaid he had loſt; they were plated goods, and ſome ſmall articles in ſilver; I aſked him where he had them, he ſaid from Mr. Cropper; I aſked him who Mr. Cropper was? he ſaid he lived in Wentworth-ſtreet, and kept an old iron-ſhop; that was the houſe from whence he came out; I lodged him in the watch-houſe, and paſſed Cropper's, and went into Moody's; Cropper came in preſently, and aſked Moody for change for a 20l. note? this might be about half paſt ſix; Moody ſaid he could not; then he aſked for change for a 10l. note? Moody ſaid he could not: Cropper went away, and his wife came for a kettle of water; then Mr. Bateman and two runners came to me with a warrant; and in the front parlour, by the fire, we found Mrs. Cropper, Mercer, and two men that were diſcharged; we handcuffed the men: Mrs. Cropper went up ſtairs; Cooke ſearched her in my preſence, and found on her ſeveral ſilver articles: we found nothing in the houſe; but in the privy I found a quantity of tongues and chapes of buckles: Cohen was then taken; and in ſearching Mrs. Cohen, Cooke found in my preſence, in her pocket, ſome other ſilver articles; they were committed the next day: Cohen delivered up the plate, and gave an account of the tranſaction: the things I found on Potts, I have kept ever ſince, ſealed up: (produced and depoſed to): and thoſe that were found in the privy; a tortoiſeſhell tea-caddy, a plated candleſtick, a plated muſtard-pot, one plated ſalt-cellar, a plated bottle-ſtand, and three rims of plated buckles, with the chapes out, and a plated coffee-pot; that is all I found on Potts; theſe I found in the privy; I have not counted them; I think there is about three dozen; theſe are the buckles which Cooke took; I cannot ſay where he got them; he delivered them to me; they are all the rims of ſilver buckles; they are all broke, but all new.

Priſoner Cropper. Will he take upon him to ſay he found thoſe things in my neceſſary?—I cannot ſay it was his: another houſe opened into the ſame yard.

Cropper. My Lord, it was open to five houſes.

Edge. I ſaw only two; there might be more.

How did I behave when you and Mr. Bateman came?—With as much civility as a man could do.

What ſort of dirt did you ſee on my ſhoulder?—It appeared to be dry mortar, by rubbing againſt ſome place, with preſſure on his right ſhoulder.

Why did not you take me into cuſtody?—I do not believe he had any thing about him; nothing appeared to me, and I did not think it prudent.

JOHN COOKE *ſworn.*

I am one of the headboroughs. I went to Cropper's houſe with Mr. Bateman, on the 19th of April laſt, between five and ſix in the morning, with Bateman, Edge, and Weſt: there were three men in the houſe; Meſſer was one; the other two were diſcharged: on Mrs. Cropper I found this property; ſix ſilver tea-ſpoons, new, tied together, one pair of ſilver ſugar-tongs, two odd ſilver ſhoe-buckles, new; I took them to Juſtice Staples; but before that, in came Cropper, and I aſked him if he had any thing about him? he ſaid he had only a 25l. bank note, and three or four guineas in gold; this was the bank note; I left it in the care of the magiſtrate, and took the No. 3997, in two places; this is my memorandum of the number; then I took them to a public houſe near; Cropper, his wife,

wife and others; I ſearched further at Cropper's, and found nothing: I went to Cohen's, and in Mr. Cohen's pocket I found ſix ſilver tea ſpoons, new; I ſaw them ſealed up and left in the care of the magiſtrate; I am certain they are the ſame: the proſecutor, Mr. Edge, and ſome other gentlemen, were preſent; I found nothing elſe: Cohen gave in this parcel in the afternoon of that day, which has been with the magiſtrate ever ſince; here is my writing on it: theſe are table ſpoons, tea ſpoons, ſeveral ſugar tongs, a boatſwain's whiſtle, all new, and the other bundle which I gave to Edge, containing rims of ſilver buckles; I know nothing more.

Priſoner Cropper. What ſort of dirt had I on my waiſtcoat and coat, which the juſtice aſked me about, a kind of ſpots?—I do not recollect it.

Do not you remember a day before that I was white-waſhing and yellow-ochring my room a day or two before?—Yes I do.

Did not I take both you and Mr. Bateman and Mr. Edgehall about the houſe, and ſhew you the loft?—Yes.

Mr. Garrow. At the time he was white waſhing his room was he in his coat or his waiſtcoat?—I believe he was in his waiſtcoat, but I cannot recollect; I had no buſineſs with him.

Priſoner Cropper, Do not you remember ſaying to me, why do not you ſtrip and employ your man?—I do not.

Mr. Garrow to Mr. Edge. Had the appearance of the right ſhoulder of his coat, when he paſſed you, the appearance which could be occaſioned by wet mortar from the bruſh of a white waſher, or what you deſcribed before?—It had not the appearance of wet mortar, but of dry mortar rubbed on; I did not obſerve the ſpots on the waiſtcoat.

ASHER COHEN *ſworn.*

You are a dealer I underſtand?—I delivered ſome things before the magiſtrate; I received them from Mr. Cropper in the morning, between ſix and ſeven, the morning of the afternoon when I delivered them.

Where did you ſee him?—At my houſe. In the morning I ſaw nobody but William Cropper. I live in Wentworth-ſtreet, No. 126, ſome doors from him; he came and brought me that ſilver, and ſaid Mr. Cohen, I muſt have thirty pounds; ſo I juſt looked in; I ſaw there were buckles and ſpoons; and I went up ſtairs and took the plate, and brought him down a twenty-five pounds bank note, and five guineas in gold; I ſaid to him, Mr. Cropper, does this come to thirty pounds? he ſaid, whether it comes to thirty pounds or not I ſhall bring you ſome more goods, and then we will ſettle; before he went away I aſked him how long he would be before he brought the other goods? he ſaid he would not be long; then in half an hour or three quarters, Mr. Cropper did not come, and I went to his houſe; I knocked at the door, which was ſhut; the window was half ſhut; ſome girl ſaid, you cannot come in; I went away, and Mr. Bateman came after me and took me; then I went to Mr. Bateman's houſe; and when I came to the juſtice I told him I deſired to be *ſworn in,* and I delivered them up; the ſilver found on my wife ſhe took out of the number; I was angry with her for taking them, becauſe we had not ſettled; there was ſome red ink writing on the bank note, and my name in Hebrew characters; I had bought goods very often before of Mr. Cropper, all ſorts of goods; I am a pretty general dealer; they were only fit for the melting pot.

Priſoner Cropper. In what manner do you buy ſilver?—I gave him always four ſhillings and ſixpence an ounce before: there was no bargain about this: I ſaw nobody beſides him: he brought it and ſaid, here is ſome ſilver, and I muſt have thirty pounds.

How long is it ago ſince you was tried at this bar?—About four years and a half.

What was you tried for?—For ſtealing of pots: I was never in goal: I was indicted and ſurrendered.

Your wife was convicted. Was you ever an evidence againſt a man and his wife at

Hicks's Hall?—Yes: ſo was you: I bought ſome bandanas for ſmuggled: I was a witneſs for the crown; I was the informer.

What did you ſwear you gave for the two pieces of Bandana handkerchiefs you produced on the firſt examination?—I cannot ſay above two pounds.

What was the number of the note he ſays I gave him?—I cannot read Engliſh, and do not know: Mr. Cropper ſaid he would give twenty pounds to any body that gets me into trouble; and a woman who was tried yeſterday ſaid I had bought ſome things of her; and it was a falſe charge. (The note depoſed to.) I am poſitive it is the note I gave him.

ROSE COHEN *ſworn.*

I am a Jeweſs. I live in Wentworth-ſtreet. I know Mr. Cropper: I heard him come to my huſband: I did not ſee him: I knew his voice: my huſband bought ſome ſilver of him: I was juſt getting up: he brought it up ſtairs and put it on the table.

Mr. Garrow. Had you the curioſity (women they ſay ſeldom have) to look into it?—Yes; and I took ſix tea-ſpoons: my huſband was angry becauſe he had not ſettled with Mr. Cropper: I did not ſee what he gave for them; I took no notice of any thing but of the half dozen tea-ſpoons.

In the God's ſpeed came Mr. Cooke and took them out of your pocket.

Priſoner Cropper. How many bank notes did I give your huſband?—I did not ſee one.

Did not ſomebody bring your huſband a twenty-five pounds bank note that morning?—No, they did not.

Upon your oath did not you pull out your pocket book and ſay you had twenty-five bank notes in your pocket?—No, Sir; I did not ſee one at all.

BENJAMIN COHEN *ſworn.*

I am ſon of Mr. Cohen. I was at home when Mr. Cropper came: I came in between ſix and ſeven and found Cropper in the kitchen; ſays I, Mr. Cropper, what are you by yourſelf? he ſaid, yes, your father is gone up ſtairs; then my father came down, and he ſaid, Mr. Cropper, here is a twenty-five pounds bank note and five guineas in caſh: Mr. Cropper ſaid, I ſhall be here preſently again, and ſettle for every thing; I did not know for what: I ſaw my father give him a note and ſome money, but I did not know what note, only what my father ſaid: I was taken into cuſtody when I went after my father.

Priſoner Cropper. What paſſed between you and me at the publick-houſe near the magiſtrates?—I ſaid my father was taken into cuſtody.

(The things depoſed to.) Firſt the property produced here by Cooke, part of that which Cohen bought; here are ſome buckle-rims without private marks, R. U.

(The things depoſed to that were found on Potts.) There is ſome blood on the rims of the buckles: next thoſe tongues and chapes found in the privy appearing to belong to thoſe rims in ſize, and number, and ſhape: ſome of them are marked with our mark: here is not the whole of the chapes: here is a black ſtone knee-buckle ſet in baſe metal.

Mr. Garrow. That is of no meltable value?—No. Here is one chape amongſt them with my private mark; I have no doubt but they are my property; next the things found in Mrs. Cropper's pocket; on the ſugar tongs our private mark, and on the tea ſpoons, and on one of the buckles, and I remember the other buckle; next the things found in Mrs. Cohen's pocket; and the bundle produced before the Juſtice by Mr. Cohen, conſiſting of ſalt ſpoons and all manner of articles; this is one ſalt-cellar we have ſometimes uſed in the houſe and marked with a D. a great many are marked with our private mark; upon the whole I believe theſe to be all my property: I ſuppoſe theſe things are not worth thirty pounds in the ſtate they are in; they are fairly worth more than twenty-five pounds as ſilver: my houſe is a quarter of a mile from Cropper's houſe

PRISONER

PRISONER CROPPER's DEFENCE.

You underſtand that the houſe that I live in is let out to caſualty lodgers; and in the morning this was done two men who were apprehended were in my ſhed; they lodged in my houſe; theſe two men I did hear ſold the property to Mr. Cohen; and the two men that were in the ſhed aſked this man, Potts, to take theſe things on his back to London bridge, and if any body ſhould aſk him who gave them to him, to ſay that it was me that gave them to him: the chief witneſs that is coming in is a woman that was ſervant to me, that will ſwear I was in bed: a woman that I kept to do about the place, ſhe has been taken ſick and forced to go into the hoſpital, St. Thomas's hoſpital, that knows I was not out of my habitation till a quarter after five in the morning: it was a thing impoſſible for a perſon in the ſituation I am to do ſuch a thing as that was; I am ſcarce able to ſtand or walk without crutches or a ſtick.

PRISONER POTTS's DEFENCE.

Pleaſe you, my lord, he told me to carry theſe things.

Cropper. My lord, he ſays two men gave them to him.

Who hired you to carry them?—Cropper.

Cropper. I did not think it neceſſary to call any witneſſes.

The priſoner Potts called one witneſs who gave him a very good character.

WILLIAM CROPPER, GUILTY, Death.

ANN, his wife,
WILLIAM POTTS,
JAMES MESSER,
} NOT GUILTY.

Tried by the firſt Middleſex Jury before Mr. RECORDER.

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228. JOHN WILLIAMS was indicted for feloniouſly ſtealing, on the 11th day of May, one guinea, the monies of John Blackburne, Eſq.

A ſecond count for ſtealing two guineas, the monies of John Blackburne, Eſq.

JOHN BLACKBURNE, Eſq. *ſworn.*

On Friday, the 11th of May, I had reaſon to ſuſpect ſome money had been taken out of my bureau, and being willing to find out the offender, the beginning of the week before laſt I marked ſeven guineas and a half, and placed them near a canvaſs bag in the bureau; I marked them with a croſs under the curl of the George ſide of the guinea; the eſcrutore I then locked, and gave the key to Mrs. Blackburne; and upon coming to the eſcrutore on the Wedneſday morning I found it open, and one of the marked guineas taken out; on Friday, the 11th of May, the priſoner brought with him ten pounds, in guineas, half guineas, and ſilver, all of which were particularly marked in the O of George; this ten pounds ſo marked we put into the canvaſs bag to the ſix guineas and a half that were left; on my return from the Houſe of Commons, about nine o'clock, I found the bureau again opened; on examining the bag I diſcovered two guineas and a half were gone; on this I went to Mr. Potter, and deſired him to come down and do what we could to diſcover the offender; I called all the ſervants into the parlour and deſired Mr. Potter would ſearch; upon ſearching John Williams we found two marked guineas in his purſe.

GEORGE POTTER *ſworn.*

I ſearched Williams myſelf; this is the purſe and theſe the two guineas; (produced) theſe two guineas were put into a canvaſs bag, (ſhewn to the jury).

Mrs. BLACKBURNE *ſworn.*

I kept the key of the bureau all the day after Mr. Blackburne had locked it; I never opened it or gave the key to any body; the bureau was in my dreſſing room, and other ſervants had certainly acceſs to it.

ISAAC BLACKBURNE *ſworn.*

Mrs. Blackburne having loſt money from her

her bureau, on Thurſday, the 10th of May, Mrs. Blackburne ſhewed me ſix guineas and a half, in a canvaſs bag: one guinea that was found on the priſoner, I am ſure was in the canvaſs bag on Thurſday morning.

Priſoner. I leave it to my counſel.

The priſoner called four witneſſes who gave him a good character.

GUILTY.

Tried by the ſecond Middleſex Jury before Mr. Juſtice ASHURST.

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229. JOHN FITZGERALD was indicted for feloniouſly aſſaulting John Stanyard, on the king's highway, on the 6th of May, putting him in fear, and feloniouſly taking from his perſon, and againſt his will, one man's hat, value 6s. his property.

JOHN STANYARD *ſworn.*

I was robbed of my hat on the 6th of May. The priſoner knocked me down, and knocked off my hat, in Parker's-lane, and ſeveral more came up to me after: I cannot ſay who took my hat; they were all of a company: when I got up, I aſked him for my hat, and he damned my eyes, and ſaid I ſhould not have it any more. A woman came out with a bowl, and ſeveral men came out with tongs, pokers, and fire-ſhovels, and the priſoner with a brick; I watched the priſoner into the houſe; then I ran away, and ſaw no more of him.

RICHARD HUTTON *ſworn.*

The proſecutor came and informed me of the robbery; he had loſt his hat, and his coat was ripped up the back: I went down along with him to recover his hat, with two or three more, to a houſe he ſhewed us, in Parker's-lane: I aſked the people for my friend's hat? I aſked them a ſecond time, and the priſoner and others came out; the priſoner with part of a brick in his hand, another with a pair of tongs, another with a poker, and another with a large hand-ſaw, and another with a ſtick: we did not get the hat; but the priſoner came up to me, and took my hat off my head, and threw the piece of brick at my head; they ſwore, b—r their eyes, if they would not kill every Engliſhman that came along the place.

WILLIAM WICKS *ſworn.*

I followed, and ſaw them go to a houſe in Parker's-lane, and demanded a hat, and a woman, and four or five more, came out, as before deſcribed; they all fell on the proſecutor, and beat him terribly; they did not give him his hat. Confirmed the laſt witneſs.

ROBERT BEAR *ſworn.*

I apprehended the priſoner; and a woman came out with a child tied to her back, and a large pair of ſciſſars open in her hand; ſhe ſaid ſhe would kill the firſt bloody thief that came there; then ſhe took up a poker, then a large iron ſhovel; ſhe ſtrove to beat me; and with great difficulty I got him down to Bow-ſtreet.

EDMUND RAWLEY *ſworn.*

I live at No. 13, in Parker's-lane, a hard labouring man; I have known him three years. *(The reſt of the priſoner's witneſſes ordered to go out of court.)* I came to prove I ſaw the firſt of this *row.*

You was one that was there?—Yes; I ſtood at my own door, and there was a *row* in the ſtreet; ſome gentlemen were coming up, and one of them ſaid, *Troth Pat, which way does the bull run?* There was another of our country folks *apprehended* the word, and he ſtruck at the man.

Court. Who aſked that? Which way does the bull run?—This young man with the fair hair, the proſecutor.

Proſecutor. I never ſaid ſuch a word.

Rawley. Another man *apprehended* the word, and he followed him and ſtruck him, this young man.

Who ſtruck him?—I do not know rightly; he was knocked down; when he got up, he ran as hard as ever he could lay legs to the ground, and away with him, without

without a hat; and Fitzgerald was not in the caſe, any more than your Lordſhip.

Who had the hat?—I do not know; but I am ready to take my oath that Fitzgerald was not in the firſt *row*; and he loſt his hat in the firſt *row*.

Proſecutor. I cannot poſitively ſay that this man was in the affray; but I verily believe he was the man that had the tongs.

Rawley. No, I had not the hat indeed.

THOMAS QUIN *ſworn.*

I know that I was in the houſe at the ſame time that there was a gentleman came; and this lad, Stanyard, came without a hat or coat; and they ſaid they would break the houſe, if we did not produce the hat.

What did Fitzgerald do; did he come out to fight them?—No, he did not come out at all.

MILES BURKE *ſworn.*

The priſoner lodged in the ſame houſe with me. Between three and four in the afternoon, I was there; I came home about two, and the priſoner was in the houſe all the time; the diſpute began between three and four, and the priſoner was oppoſite the houſe, and was in the houſe at the time of the firſt *row*; and he never knew any thing about it.

What did he come for?—He came for his hat, and ſaid he would break the windows to pieces.

Proſecutor. My Lord, theſe witneſſes came laſt night, and offered me money to make it up; five or ſix of them.

The priſoner called one witneſs who gave him a good character.

GUILTY, Death.

Tried by the ſecond Middleſex Jury before Mr. Juſtice ASHURST.

230. HANNAH WARBURTON was indicted for feloniouſly aſſaulting Mary Milner on the King's highway, on the 16th of April laſt, and putting her in fear, and feloniouſly taking from her perſon and againſt her will, a paper band box value 2s. one pair of black Morocco ſhoes value 4s. two necklaces value 20s. a pair of pockets value 2s. ſix handkerchiefs value 6s. and divers other things, her property.

And JOHN MATTHEWS was indicted for feloniouſly receiving a parcel, part of the ſaid goods, knowing them to be ſtolen.

MARY MILNER *ſworn.*

On the 16th of April I was ſtopped and robbed; I was coming out of Harris's-court, Oxford-ſtreet, it was about 11 at night: Hannah Warburton took the box from me and gave it to another woman; there were no words paſſed, it was gone in a moment, ſhe *clicked* it away; I had it in my hand then, ſhe knocked me down on the pavement, and then ſhe ſtamped upon me; I got up, and then there came ſome gentlemen to me; I kept the bundle; ſhe has rendered me incapable of getting my bread, ſhe has hurt me ſo. There were upwards of 30l. in money and things in the box, I never recovered any of them; the pawnbrokers have ſome of them.

RICHARD SLAUGHTER *ſworn.*

I am a pawnbroker; I produce ſome articles which were pledged with me by the priſoner Matthews; he brought ſome of them in the forenoon, and ſome in the afternoon on the 17th of April; I ſtopped him in the afternoon.

Mrs. MILNER.

Theſe things are all mine.

THOMAS MANSFIELD *ſworn.*

My Lords, I am an officer; on the 17th of April the pawnbroker ſent for me to take Matthews into cuſtody.

CHARLES SAGE *ſworn.*

On the night of the 16th of April, paſt 11 o'clock, I heard a noiſe in Oxford-ſtreet, and watch called; I ran and aſked what was the matter; Mary Milner told me, that the priſoner at the bar had robbed her, and knocked her down, and trod upon her; I took her in cuſtody to the watch-houſe: I am a patrol.

JOHN DAVIS another patrol *ſworn,*

Who confirmed the teſtimony of the laſt witneſs, and added, that he conducted her to a magiſtrate next morning; the priſoner ſaid ſhe would not be had in that manner; ſhe ſaid that Sarah Matthews was with her the night before, when ſhe took the box. The inſpector of the watch was walking with the proſecutrix; I called him, and ſhe told him the ſame, and we went to her lodgings but did not find her.

PRISONER WARBURTON.

I am a ſhoebinder by trade; I had been to Adam-and-Eve-court to take home my work; coming near to the end of Berwick-ſtreet, ſhe was ſtooping down I believe, and ſomebody came behind me and puſhed me over the woman; when I recovered myſelf I got up and gave the woman the bundle and her pattens; ſhe was not ſober.

To Davis. Did you not ſee me deliver the pattens to her?—When I came up I believe ſhe did give her one patten.

PRISONER MATTHEWS's DEFENCE.

I found the things at the corner of the church-yard, St. Giles's; I lodge there; ſeveral waggons go in and out of that yard; I did not take all the things out of the bundle.

HANNAH WARBURTON, GUILTY of Stealing.

JOHN MATTHEWS, GUILTY.

Tranſported for fourteen years.

Tried by the ſecond Middleſex Jury before Mr. Juſtice ASHURST.

231. ANDREW DAVIS was indicted for feloniouſly aſſaulting the Right Hon. George Marquis of Huntley, on the King's highway, on the 12th day of May laſt, and putting him in fear, and feloniouſly taking from his perſon, and againſt his will, ſix guineas and a variety of wearing apparel, his property.

THE MARQUIS OF HUNTLEY *ſworn.*

On the 12th of May I was robbed about a quarter of a mile from Cranford-bridge, about 20 minutes before 12: one man ran up to the horſes heads and ſtopped the chaiſe, and another came to the chaiſe door, on the left-hand ſide; he had a bayonet; the man who was at the horſes heads, came round to the other ſide where I was ſitting and opened the door and came into the carriage with a piſtol in his hand; he put his piſtol to my breaſt, and with an oath deſired me to deliver my money: I took out five or ſix guineas, I am not certain; he delivered the money to the other man: there were two gentlemen in the chaiſe with me; one of the robbers then ſaid, as you have no more money, I muſt have your chaiſe ſeat: the man with the piſtol ſaid, come, Jack, and he took the chaiſe ſeat out; he came back and ſaid, you muſt have more money, I am ſure of it, and I will make another ſearch; he ſearched my pockets, and found another guinea; he then ſearched another gentleman, and they went off; the night was ſo dark that I cannot ſwear to him; we went on to Cranford-bridge: I immediately tried to get the ſervants at Cranford-bridge to purſue them; four of them turned out immediately; we returned back with three men behind the carriage to Hounſlow, but ſaw nobody; I then went to town, and lodged an information at Bow-ſtreet; when I was in town, I received an expreſs from Mr. Palmer, informing me that one of the men was taken; I returned to Cranford-bridge, and ſaw the priſoner; he denied being the perſon.

JOHN

JOHN MENZIE *ſworn.*

I am ſervant to the Marquis of Huntley; I had been detained in town after my Lord ſet off; I met his Lordſhip returning to town at Hounſlow; my Lord ordered me to go on to Windſor, with Mr. Palmer, and we had two dragoons behind, and two before the chaiſe; but on conſideration, we thought it beſt to make the two in front get down when we arrived near the place at which my Lord was robbed; the dragoons ſeeing a man coming towards the chaiſe, jumped down, and Mr. Palmer got out of the chaiſe and ſeized him; there was a bayonet found near his heels: when he was ſearched in Covent-garden watch-houſe, there were five pair of ſilk ſtockings, and a waiſtcoat found upon him.

THOMAS CARPMEAL *ſworn.*

The priſoner is the ſame man that was taken by Mr. Palmer: I ſearched the priſoner, and found five pair of ſilk ſtockings and this waiſtcoat; *(produced and depoſed to by Menzie)*; four guineas, and two half-guineas, and four ſhillings.

CHARLES PALMER *ſworn.*

I was in the chaiſe with my Lord Huntley, and Mr. Horton; we were ſtopped near Cranford-bridge *(confirms the teſtimony of Lord Huntley and of Menzie)*; at day light we went to look for the things, and found them ſcattered about upon the heath, almoſt the whole of them; we likewiſe found this trunk.

Jury. Did he attempt to run away from you?—I really cannot ſay, the night was ſo exceeding dark.

WILLIAM GIBBS *ſworn.*

I am one of the dragoons; I ſaw a man run acroſs the road; I was behind the chaiſe, and I jumped down and gave the ſignal to Mr. Palmer, and he ran and ſeized him; I held one of his arms and my comrade held the other; Mr. Palmer ſearched him, and a bayonet dropped down cloſe to my leg; it dropped on my foot.

ANDREW DAVIS, GUILTY, **Death.**
(Aged 23.)

Tried by the ſecond Middleſex Jury before Mr. Baron PERRYN.

Lord Huntley and the Jury recommended him to mercy.

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232. JAMES CARROLL was indicted for feloniouſly making an aſſault, on the King's highway, upon George Oliver, on the 7th of May, and putting him in fear, and taking one linen handkerchief value 10d. one ſilver watch value 3l. a chain and ſeals value 2s. his property.

GEORGE OLIVER *ſworn.*

On the 7th of May I was ſtopped in Plumbtree-ſtreet, Bloomſbury, by the priſoner; I was going to——-ſtreet, and there was a bear which attracted a young woman's notice who was walking with me, linked in my arm; this man was following us, and preſently after he thruſt his hand into my right coat pocket, and the young woman ſeized the handkerchief the ſame time that the priſoner had hold of it; he let go the handkerchief; he began to run, and I ran after him into the middle of Dyot-ſtreet, there he made a full ſtand, and faced me in a poſture as I thought to knock me down: I was immediately knocked down, and rendered inſenſible; I cannot recollect who knocked me down; when I came to myſelf I had loſt my watch and chain, and callico handkerchief.

SARAH BATTIE, *ſworn.*

I was with Mr. Oliver on the 7th of May, there was a bear going down Plumbtree-ſtreet, which excited my curioſity; the priſoner was cloſe on my back, and I thought he wanted to get by, I gave him the wall, and

and he would not go by; he made a long ſtop, and put his hand in Oliver's pocket; the handkerchief was half way out of his pocket, and I caught hold of it; then he let go, and turned round and ran away; Oliver purſued him.

MARY HINE *ſworn.*

I was in the ſtreet, and ſaw the priſoner knock the proſecutor down; he had a ſtick in his hand.

SAMUEL WRIGHT *ſworn.*

I am one of the officers who took him for this robbery about three or four days after; I took him to the watch-houſe, and informed the gentleman's ſervant who had been knocked down the Monday night before.

Chriſtopher Sanders, and another, apprehended him with Wright.

PRISONER's DEFENCE.

I was going along; I know nothing of the robbery.

GUILTY, Death.

Tried by the ſecond Middleſex Jury before Mr. Juſtice ASHURST.

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233. SARAH RANDAL was indicted for feloniouſly ſtealing, on the 19th of May, one black ſilk bonnet value 12d. a ſilk cloak value 15s. a linen gown value 18s. a callico handkerchief value 12d. a pair of ſtays value 3s. a woollen apron value 12d. a cotton ſhawl value 12d. a ſtuff petticoat value 2s. a linen cap value 6d. the property of Elizabeth Reynolds, widow, in the dwelling-houſe of Elizabeth King, widow.

ELIZABETH REYNOLDS *ſworn.*

On Friday night, the 19th of May, I loſt the things in the indictment: I met the priſoner, and aſked her for a lodging; ſhe threw an old white bed-gown over me, and a piece of a red ſkirt; ſhe dragged me along to a lone place: I never was a witneſs before in my life; ſhe uſed me very ill, and I have never been well ever ſince I met with her, and ſhe took me home to ſleep with her.

THOMAS AINSLEY *ſworn.*

I have got a petticoat and handkerchief; I went into the Three Tuns, in St. Margaret's Church-yard; I ſaw the proſecutrix in a very deplorable condition; ſhe ſaid ſhe had been robbed, and I went after Randall.

JOHN WOODFORD *ſworn.*

I was at the Three Tuns, in St. Margaret's Church-yard; Mrs. Reynolds was ſitting there, and ſaid ſhe had been robbed, but did not know by whom or where; we took her to Peter-ſtreet, and ſhe ſaid that is the houſe where the woman threw me down ſtairs; I ſearched the houſe, and in her apartment I found this bonnet hung up, this cloak was in the table drawer, and this apron and cap were on the bed.

THOMAS BEETHAM *ſworn.*

I am an apprentice to Brown and Aſhman; they are pawnbrokers; the priſoner pledged with me on the 19th of May a pair of ſtays for 4s. (produces them) ſhe pawned them in the name of Sarah Dicks, for her mother.

WILLIAM HOPKINS *ſworn.*

I am a watchman; I found the proſecutrix in Fleet's-gardens; ſhe was naked, except a ſmall bed gown and pink petticoat, and two flannel petticoats: ſhe ſaid ſhe had been robbed; I took her to the watch-houſe.

JOSEPH ELLIOTT *ſworn.*

I am a patrol; I took the priſoner, and in her pocket was found a duplicate: I know the priſoner very well.

PRISONER's DEFENCE.

I met the proſecutrix—I took no things.

GUILTY, Stealing, 39s.

Tried by the ſecond Middleſex Jury before Mr. Baron PERRYN.

234. ALEX.

234. ALEXANDER MASON was indicted for ſtealing, on the 23d day of May, a leather pocket book value 2s. the goods of Robert Meene, Eſq.

ROBERT MEENE *ſworn.*

I loſt my pocket book on the 23d of May laſt in the King's Mews; it may be of the value of 2s. or leſs; I heard ſomebody call out, and I turned ſhort round and ſaw the priſoner in cuſtody, and another perſon gave me my pocket book.

JAMES TRING, *ſworn.*

I am a ſeaman; I was in the King's Mews and ſaw a lad take a pocket book out of this gentleman's coat pocket; he was taken into cuſtody; Capt. Meene has the pocket book.

PRISONER's DEFENCE.

I picked it up.

GUILTY, Stealing 1s.

Tried by the ſecond Middleſex Jury before Mr. RECORDER.

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235. GEORGE PEPLOW was indicted for ſtealing a ſteel elaſtic truſs, value 5s. the goods of George Squire, privily from his perſon.

GEORGE SQUIRE *ſworn.*

I live near Carnaby-market; I went to Hammerſmith; I was in Hyde-park; there was a review: ſomebody picked my pocket of a truſs; about four hours afterwards it was brought to my houſe by theſe two men.

CHRISTOPHER SANDERS *ſworn.*

About four o'clock in the afternoon I ſaw this lad and another picking pockets; when he was in the watch-houſe he endeavoured to ſlide the truſs away.

ROBERT BLACKBURN *ſworn.*

I am a publican; Sanders and I took this man *(corroborates the teſtimony of the laſt witneſs)*; Sanders has kept the truſs ever ſince.

PRISONER's DEFENCE.

I was in Hyde-park, and ſtooping down by an arch to eaſe myſelf, I ſaw a paper lying with a truſs in it, and I picked it up and opened it; I cannot read, but I ſaw writing upon it, and clapt it into my pocket: I was tried at Hicks's-hall to-day, and am to be tranſported ſeven years for that; and I am as innocent of that as I am of this.

GUILTY, 10d.

Tried by the ſecond Middleſex Jury before Mr. RECORDER.

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236. WILLIAM HEYLAND was indicted for ſtealing, on the 2d of April, a linen ſheet, value 2s. and a flannel petticoat value 6d. the goods of Joſeph Hudſon.

MARY WRIGHT *ſworn.*

I live with Mr. Hudſon, in Berwick-ſtreet, Soho; on Monday the ſecond of April, I hung a linen ſheet on the line in the yard, and a flannel petticoat; I went into the yard, and then I went on an errand; on my return I met the priſoner, he ſlipped out at the door; I went into the yard, and miſſed the ſheet; I ſaw a bundle under his arm.

JONATHAN BRADLEY *ſworn.*

On the ſecond of April I was in poſſeſſion of a houſe, No. 3, Huſband-ſtreet, the priſoner came to that houſe, and aſked for Mr. Francis; he ſaid he had ſomething to ſell; I took it from him, and have kept it ever ſince.

MARY WRIGHT *ſworn.*

The ſheet is marked I. H. No. 6, (the petticoat and ſheet depoſed to).

ELIZABETH BRADLEY *ſworn.*

This is my petticoat; my grandfather pays for my clothes; he paid for this petticoat.

GUILTY.

Tried by the ſecond Middleſex Jury before Mr. RECORDER.

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237. WILLIAM CLEWER was indicted for ſtealing, on the 9th of April laſt, a blue cloth coat value 12s. the goods of Meletrior Middleditch, and one velveret waiſtcoat value 2s. the goods of John Willins.

MELETRIOR MIDDLEDITCH *ſworn.*

I live in Bond-ſtreet; I loſt a man's cloth coat from my lodgings on Monday the 9th of April at ſix o'clock in the evening.

JOHN WILLINS *ſworn.*

I lodge in the ſame room with Middleditch, his coat and my waiſtcoat are the only things that are found; my waiſtcoat was loſt at the time; they were all ſafe at ſix o'clock.

THOMAS CHIFFINGS *ſworn.*

I produce a velveret waiſtcoat; I had it from the priſoner the 9th of April; I gave him a duplicate.

JOSEPH BURROWS *ſworn.*

I am ſervant to a pawnbroker; I produce the coat; I received it of the priſoner on Monday the 9th of May.

RICHARD LOVELL *ſworn.*

I am an officer of Litchfield-ſtreet; I ſearched the priſoner, and took two duplicates from the priſoner; they are the duplicates of the clothes produced.

PRISONER's DEFENCE.

I had a brother going to the country, and I wanted ſome clothes to ſend my brother into the country; I met a Jew in Oxford-ſtreet, and he had theſe things hanging upon his arm; and I agreed for 14s. 6d. but I had not money enough, ſo I pawned the coat to raiſe the reſt of the money.

GUILTY. (Aged 22.)

Tried by the firſt Middleſex Jury, before Mr. Juſtice ASHURST.

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238. ELIZABETH DOZELL was indicted for ſtealing, on the 3d of May, a cotton gown value 10s. a muſlin apron value 4s. and two pair of ſtockings value 2s. the property of John Lacon; and a muſlin handkerchief value 1s. the property of Dorothy Mills.

ANN LACON *ſworn.*

I am the wife of John Lacon; we live in Davies-ſtreet, Berkley-ſquare; I have loſt the articles named in the indictment; the priſoner was our ſervant about a month; ſhe wiſhed to leave me one night about 10 o'clock; Thurſday the third of May, in the morning, I let her go: we found ſome of the things at her lodgings; I found a cotton gown, a muſlin apron, two pair of ſtockings; I gave the things to the officer; they were open in the room, not concealed.

DOROTHY MILLS *ſworn.*

I live at Mr. Mills's; I loſt a muſlin handkerchief; it was laying in the room; I have ſeen it at the lodgings of the priſoner.

CHRISTOPHER KENNEDY *ſworn.*

I am an officer of Bow-ſtreet; I produce a cloak and ſome ribbon, which I took from the priſoner.

CHARLES DAVIS *ſworn.*

I ſearched the priſoner's lodgings, and found theſe articles (produces a gown, &c.) proſecutrix depoſes to the things.

Priſoner. Gentlemen, I am very young, and I hope you will ſhew mercy.

GUILTY.

Tried by the ſecond Middleſex Jury before Mr. RECORDER.

239. JOHN

239. JOHN GILPIN was indicted for ſtealing, on the 4th day of May, thirty-four pounds of bar iron value 2s. the goods of Jeremiah Smith.

JEREMIAH SMITH *ſworn.*

I loſt a bar of iron; I ſuſpected the priſoner, becauſe he remained in the ſhop after the men went to dinner; then he went round to the back door of the front ſhop, and I ſaw him come away with the bar of iron; I ſtopped him, and aſked him where he was going to ſell it; he ſaid, in Petticoat-lane: the priſoner was employed as porter or odd man.

Priſoner. I leave it to the mercy of the Court.

GUILTY.

Tried by the ſecond Middleſex Jury before Mr. RECORDER.

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240. GEORGE HANSON was indicted for feloniouſly ſtealing, on the 30th day of April, one live cock fowl value 6d. and two live hen fowls value 12d. and one iron padlock value 1d. the goods of William Wilder.

WILLIAM WILDER *ſworn.*

I keep the Green Man at Ball's-pond; I loſt one cock and two hens on the 29th of April; I had ſeen them in the afternoon before they were miſſed; I was in bed, and my girl came and told me at 8 o'clock, that the fowls were all killed; I got up and found the ſtable door open and the padlock gone; I ſaw the fowls the ſame day at Juſtice Clarke's; I ſaw the padlock there; I know it is mine; I know the fowls, there was a white hen and a brown one, and a cock; they were in a bag dead, with their feathers on them.

THOMAS FIFIELD *ſworn.*

I am a patrol; between three and four o'clock on the 29th of April, I ſaw two men coming acroſs the brickfields; I went up towards them, thinking them ſuſpicious people; I aſked them what they had in the bag? and they ſaid a young child; I inſiſted on ſeeing what they had got; I put my hand into the bag, and pulled out a warm fowl; I brought him to the watch-houſe, and found a padlock in his breeches, and a bloody razor, with which he had cut one of the fowls heads off; the other man ran off; the fowls are not here, for *I eat one myſelf*, and I know they were dead, becauſe *all their heads were off.*

The priſoner called ſeven witneſſes who gave him a good character.

GUILTY.

Tried by the ſecond Middleſex Jury before Mr. RECORDER.

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241. GEORGE SMITH, alias SWALLOW, was indicted for falſly and feloniouſly making, forging, and counterfeiting, and cauſing to be falſly and feloniouſly made, forged, and counterfeited, and willingly acting and aſſiſting in the falſe making, forging, and counterfeiting, a certain power of attorney, purporting to be ſigned by one John Clark, brother and adminiſtrator of Edward Clark, deceaſed, late a mariner on board the Kent merchantman, with the mark of him, the ſaid John Clark, and to be ſealed and delivered by the ſaid John Clark, appointing and authorizing the ſaid George Smith, alias Swallow, by the name and deſcription of Mr. George Smith, of Oxford-ſtreet, in the county of Middleſex, gentleman, to receive of and from Paul Peaſe, a certain ſum of money, with intent to defraud the ſaid Paul Peaſe, againſt the ſtatute.

(Mr. Garrow opened the Caſe.)

PAUL PEASE *ſworn.*

I was maſter of the ſhip Kent, in the South Wale Fiſhery: the owners names are Samuel Enderby, the elder, Samuel Enderby, the younger, Charles Enderby, and George Enderby. I ſaw the priſoner on

on or about the 22d of March, and he informed me he was ſent from the Commons to inquire after Thomas Hurry, late a ſeaman on board the ſhip Kent, which I then commanded, and was killed on board that ſhip, in his paſſage home; I told him there was no ſuch perſon on board as Hurry; he ſaid ſeamen very frequently changed their names; he ſaid that his friend from the weſt had applied to the Commons, to obtain what wages might be due to him; I told him there were two men killed; he aſked for their names on a ſlip of paper; I gave him the names of Clark and Cattlebaſher; that the wages of Cattlebaſher were already paid to an adminiſtrator, and that Clark's was not; he ſaid he ſuppoſed it was Clark; but he might have made a miſtake; he wiſhed to know what ſum of money was due to Clark, as his friends lived in the country, and did not know whether the wages would be worth their while to adminiſter; I told him 30l. he aſked if I would pay the money, if he found good ſecurity? I told him I would not without an adminiſtration; he ſaid he ſhould go and make inquiries at the office, and call again; he did call again on the 4th of April; he told me that he hoped now every thing was right; that he had found his miſtake, how every thing had happened; he then produced an adminiſtration in the name of John Clark, brother to the deceaſed Edward Clark; he likewiſe produced two ſlips of paper; one with the name of Edward Clark, the other with the name of Thomas Hurry, and that Thomas Hurry died on board the Kent Indiaman, and Edward Clark, on board the Kent merchantman; and that having buſineſs to do for both at his office, (I underſtood him to be an attorney) he had taken the wrong name, of Hurry, inſtead of Clark, and that was the way he had made the miſtake; he likewiſe produced the order from John Clark, to pay what might be due to Edward Clark, to George Smith; I underſtood him to be George Smith; I told him I could not pay it to a ſimple order, and that he muſt come fully empowered from John Clark, before I ſhould pay him: the order was dated the 3d of April, and preſented on the 4th. I told him I thought it very ſtrange that Clark did not call himſelf; he ſaid he was gone to Chatham; I aſked him what he belonged to? he ſaid he did not know that he belonged to any ſhip; I aſked him for his addreſs? he told me he lived in Berner's-ſtreet, or Baim-ſtreet, Oxford-road, and that his father and him had an office there; he aſked me if I would not pay him without a power of attorney? I ſaid no; he ſeemed diſconcerted, and ſaid he thought I gave him as much trouble, and put him to as much expence, as I could; he then expreſſed much diſſatisfaction, and ſaid he had heard I was not a gentleman, and aſked when he ſhould call again; I appointed the following Saturday, at ten o'clock, at which time he came there was another perſon with him, and ſaid he hoped every thing was clear and ſatisfactory to both parties; he produced a power of attorney from John Clark, and the adminiſtration; I took them into my hands, and put them into my pocket; I had previouſly ſent for two officers; the power of attorney is executed by a mark; when he came on Wedneſday, he produced the proctor's bill, which was returned; but it was taken from him on the Saturday on which he was apprehended: Clark had ſailed with me about ten months; his real name was Edward Swinney; he was an Iriſhman; I ſhipped him at Portſmouth, on the 15th of September, 1790; the Gorgon was then at Portſmouth; the night that I ſhipped him, he told me he had run from the Gorgon; I never heard of any friends or relations that he had in the Weſt Indies; I ſhipped one Rawlings, who was boatſwain's mate of the Gorgon. Every thing that I have ſaid is truth, upon my oath.

(The power of attorney read by the Clerk of Arraigns.)

WILLIAM KING *ſworn.*

I am eighteen: I ſailed on board the ſhip Kent;

Kent; I knew Clark; he came from the Gorgon with James Rawlings and Dennis Lettree; they all came together.

JOHN COLLINS *ſworn.*

I am Clerk in the Navy Office. I have here the muſter-book of his majeſty's ſhip Gorgon; here are the names of Edward Swinney, James Rawlings, and Dennis Diſcoll, ſtand as *run*, on the ſhip's books; Swinney and Rawlings appear to have run from the boat; Driſcoll run from leave, on the 14th; they ſtand muſtered, and on the 22d they are marked as run; he is deſcribed as a native of Ireland.

WILLIAM WHITEWAY *ſworn.*

I went to Captain Peaſe's houſe; and I was in the back parlour; I heard him ſay he hoped all the trouble was over; then Mr. Peaſe called us in; I ſearched him, and found the bill of the proctor's on him. (Produces it.)

Captain Peaſe. This is the bill which he produced me.

PRISONER's DEFENCE.

When I was before Juſtice Smith, the proctors ſaid they did not know me. I deſired Mr. Peaſe to be cautious, as I could not write. I begged my trial might be put off till next ſeſſions that I might be able to produce this Clark, who I underſtand is gone to Ireland. Captain Peaſe ſaid he would ſell his ſhip from under him, but he would hang me.

GUILTY, Death. (Aged 46.)

Tried by the firſt Middleſex Jury, before Mr. RECORDER.

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242. JOHN BELL was indicted for feloniouſly ſtealing, on the 11th day of April, twenty pounds of leaden pipe, value 2s. the property of James Schooler, affixed to his dwelling-houſe.

JAMES SCHOOLER *ſworn.*

I live on Saffron-hill. I loſt this lead the 9th of laſt month; I miſſed it in the morning; it was taken from the cellar cieling.

SAMUEL LUCK *ſworn.*

I am ſerjeant major in the regiment to which the priſoner belongs. Corporal Turner brought the priſoner and the lead to me; I aſked him where he got it? he ſaid he found it at Charing-croſs; I have kept it ever ſince. (Produced.)

WILLIAM TURNER *ſworn.*

I am corporal in the ſame regiment. I ſaw the priſoner bring the lead pipe from Schooler's houſe, between ſeven and eight in the evening; I followed him and took him to the recruit houſe; then the ſerjeant major ſent him to the Savoy.

James Schooler depoſes to the lead.

PRISONER's DEFENCE.

I picked up this lead coming from Charing-croſs, and I went into Schooler's houſe to have a pint of beer, and took the pipe in with me, and the corporal ſaw me coming out.

GUILTY.

Tried by the firſt Middleſex Jury, before Mr. RECORDER.

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243. MARY HODWELL was indicted for feloniouſly ſtealing, on the 12th day of May, thirty yards of ſilk ribbon, value 4s. the goods of Joſeph Slack.

JOSEPH SLACK *ſworn.*

I am a haberdaſher in Oxford-ſtreet. I was robbed on Saturday, the 13th of May, I believe, about three o'clock. The priſoner had ſeveral ſmall remnants of ribbon, and ſaid ſhe wanted to match them; ſhe matched two or three articles that came to eleven-pence; ſhe was going out; my boy followed

followed her quickly; he aſked her if ſhe had not got ſome ribbon that was not her own? ſhe turned round and ſaid, if I have, I dont know it; ſhe put down her ſilk handkerchief, and there was a piece of ſilk ribbon; the boy ſaid he believed ſhe had more, and deſired her to walk backwards; and in going along, ſhe pulled out a piece of white ribbon, and throwed it down on the floor: I was ſerving a lady; when I had done, I went into the back ſhop; I aſked her if ever ſhe had been there before? ſhe ſaid no, nor never would again; ſhe went down upon her knees; I am not miſtaken in any part of my evidence. Mrs. Ironſides was in the ſhop; I don't know what ſhe is; I have heard that ſhe is a mantua-maker, and that ſhe has kept gentmen's houſes.

WILLIAM PAYNE *ſworn.*

The priſoner came into my maſter's ſhop on the 13th or 14th of May; ſhe had a pattern of green and blue ribbon in her hand, which ſhe wanted to match; I ſhewed her ſeveral; ſhe made choice of one that was near the pattern; ſhe made choice of a ribbon at 2d. per yard; ſhe had a yard of it cut off; then ſhe aſked to look at ſome narrow white ribbon; I preſſed her to have the quantity of green ribbon which ſhe wanted, being near the pattern, and directly I miſſed it; ſhe made choice of ſome white, at two-pence per yard; ſhe had a yard and a half; then ſhe produced a pattern of net-gauze, and ſhe had three nails of it; ſhe paid me eleven-pence; the priſoner was turning out of the ſhop; I told her ſhe had ſome ribbon of my maſter's property; ſhe put her hand in her pocket, and pulled out a piece of green ribbon, concealed in a handkerchief; I deſired her to walk into the back ſhop; then ſhe gave up another piece; in going to the back ſhop ſhe dropped a piece of narrow white ribbon; I had not ſold it to her; ſhe pulled the ribbon out of her right hand pocket, and her pocket-handkerchief; my maſter did not ſee the manner in which it was concealed. Mrs. Ironſides was in the ſhop at the time of this robbery; Mrs. Ironſides lives, I believe, in Charlotte-ſtreet; the narrow white ribbon was not on a roller; I have had the poſſeſſion of them ever ſince; they were taken before Sir Laurence Cox: *(produced)*; they are marked D. O. T. (Depoſes to the ribbons.)

Slack. I marked the green ribbon; this mark is my hand-writing.

ANN EWEN *ſworn.*

I have known Mary Hodwell four years; I called upon her to deſire her to make a gown for me; ſhe is a mantua-maker, and lives in Dean-ſtreet, and keeps a houſe there; I told her I wanted her to make me a gown between pink and black, and deſired to know what ribbon would be moſt ſuitable to trim it; ſhe ſaid a green; and I ſaid you may let me ſee ſome, if I don't buy; ſhe ſhewed me ſome green ribbon upon a roller; I ſaid it was too broad, and deſired her to get me ſome narrower ribbon; the ribbon ſhe ſhewed me, was like the one I have on my head.

SUSANNAH PRITCHARD *ſworn.*

I have known the priſoner eight years. I had occaſion to have a bonnet made, and I called upon Mary Hodwell, and ſhe ſhewed me ſome green ribbon; I ſhould think this it; but it is too much to ſwear to a ribbon.

The priſoner called nine very reſpectable witneſſes who gave her a very good character.

GUILTY.

Recommended by the Jury.

Tried by the firſt Middleſex Jury before Mr. RECORDER.

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244. JOHN BURN was indicted for ſtealing, on the 11th day of May, one pannel-ſaw, value 6s. the goods of John Moore, and one ripping-ſaw, value 3s. the goods of Richard Sharp.

RICHARD

RICHARD SHARP *ſworn.*

I am a carpenter: I work at Somer's Town, Pancras. I went to dinner on the 11th of May, and returned a little after one. The priſoner was in cuſtody.

JOHN MOORE *ſworn.*

I am a carpenter, and work at Somer's Town. I loſt a pannel-ſaw at the time Sharp loſt his.

NOAH STONE *ſworn.*

I am a carpenter: I was at dinner on Friday the 11th of May, and ſaw two men ſkulking about; the priſoner was one of them; preſently I ſaw them coming; one of them had two ſaws under his coat; I took the ſaws from under his coat, and fetched a conſtable.

——— GRIFFIN *ſworn.*

I am a bricklayer. I had been to dinner, and ſaw the two men; and the laſt witneſs told me one of them had ſomething under his coat: (the ſaws produced): conſtable has had them ever ſince.

(*Sharp* depoſes to the ripping-ſaw, and *Moore* depoſes to the pannel-ſaw.)

PRISONER's DEFENCE.

I was a man that always worked very hard; I had been taking a walk, and was in liquor, and was perſuaded to take them.

GUILTY. (Aged 56.)

Tried by the firſt Middleſex Jury, before Mr. COMMON SERJEANT.

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245. WILLIAM HUDSON and GEORGE DELL were indicted for feloniouſly ſtealing, on the 14th day of May, thirteen linen ſhirts, value 20s. and one linen pillow-caſe, value 2d. the goods of William Hall, LL. D.

WILLIAM HALL *ſworn.*

I am a Doctor of Laws: the things were loſt on Monday, the 14th of May; they were taken from my garden.

WILLIAM PEARCE *ſworn.*

I am a baker. I was ſerving my bread along by Dr. Hall's garden: I ſaw the two priſoners before me; when I came nearer to them, they hid themſelves; I ſuſpected they were upon no good; I watched them, and preſently after, I ſaw them come over from the doctor's garden with a bundle of linen, which I ſaw Dell drop; my boy purſued them, and they were never out of my ſight till the boy took them.

THOMAS LATHAM *ſworn.*

I am ſervant to the laſt witneſs. My maſter told me to run after thoſe two boys; I took them both; I did not ſee any thing on either of the priſoners.

RICHARD GOSS *ſworn.*

I am a headborough: (I produce the linen.)

Mr. Hall. This is the linen I ſaw on my table.

Pearce. I put this linen there.

PRISONER DELL's DEFENCE.

Two ſailors had theſe things, and offered us ſome money to carry them to the three-mile ſtone.

WILLIAM HUDSON (Aged 16.)
GEORGE DELL (Aged 14.)
} GUILTY.

Tried by the firſt Middleſex Jury before Mr. RECORDER.

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246. JAMES DRAPER was indicted for feloniouſly ſtealing, on the 11th day of April, one man's beaver hat, value 8s. the goods of Richard Clement Headington.

RICHARD CLEMENT HEADINGTON *ſworn.*

I am pupil to Mr. Blizard, the ſurgeon. I loſt a hat from a paſſage that leads to the lecture-

lecture-room, in the London Hoſpital, on the 11th of April.

JOHN SEMPLE *ſworn.*

I am a dyer. I live in Whitechapel, facing the theatre of the London Hoſpital. On the 11th of April I ſaw the priſoner and another in the hoſpital yard; I had a ſuſpicion of them; the priſoner drew near to the Theatre, and went in, and returned with four hats; I went acroſs the road and took him back to the Theatre.

(The hat produced and depoſed to by the proſecutor.)

GUILTY. (Aged 17.)

Tried by the firſt Middleſex Jury before Mr. COMMON SERJEANT.

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247. JOHN READ was indicted for feloniouſly ſtealing, on the 10th day of March, one ſilver watch, value 1l. one ſteel chain, value 6d. one ſtone ſeal ſet in baſe metal, value 1d. and a key, value 1d. the goods of Richard Evans. One metal watch, value 20s. the goods of Richard Jenkins.

RICHARD EVANS *ſworn.*

I am a milkman. I loſt my watch: it was in the one pair of ſtairs bed room: it was the 10th of March: I was not at home.

Mr. Peatt Priſoner's Counſel. Do you happen to know if the priſoner ever inſured in the lottery with your wife?—No.

MARY EVANS *ſworn.*

The priſoner came to my houſe on Saturday, the 10th of March, between ſix and ſeven in the morning; he aſked me leave to go up ſtairs to my lodger to borrow two ſhillings; at firſt I would not give him leave; but he ſaid he was in a hurry: he came down and ſaid he had the two ſhillings of the man: very ſoon after he was gone, it *ſtrike me very hard*, that he had taken my huſband's watch; I went up to look, and it was gone; I then went up and aſked my lodger if he had ſeen Read; and he ſaid he did not know him: I am the wife of Evans: the priſoner was often in my bed chamber: I have not inſured with him this year in the lottery: I never offered to lend him any money.

RICHARD JENKINS *ſworn.*

I am a labouring man. I loſt a metal watch on Thurſday, the 10th of March; I left it in the room where I ſleep, on a nail, when I went out to work, and on my return I found my watch was gone.

JOHN CLARK *ſworn.*

I took the priſoner into cuſtody. I found a duplicate of a watch on him.

JOHN ROGERS *ſworn.*

I am a pawnbroker's ſervant to Mr. Fleming in High Holborn. I produce a metal watch in a ſhagreen caſe, which I took in of the priſoner on the 16th of March, juſt after eight.

HENRY BATT *ſworn.*

I am a pawnbroker's ſervant. I produce a ſilver watch which I believe I took in of the priſoner; I am not certain: this was pledged in the morning about eight o'clock.

Evans. The number of my watch is 201. (Depoſes to the watch.) I have had it two years: I am certain it is my watch.

Jenkins. I do not know the number of my watch; the glaſs is broke, and there is a bit of ſilk ribbon to it, and a key.

PRISONER's DEFENCE.

I had nothing to do with the watches: Mrs. Evans uſed to be concerned with me in the lottery, and has lent me money.

The priſoner called four witneſſes who gave him a good character.

GUILTY.

Tried by the London Jury before Mr. RECORDER.

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248. CHARLES BURN was indicted for feloniouſly ſtealing, on the 21ſt day of April, one man's cloth coat, value 10s. a waiſtcoat, and other wearing apparel, the goods of Charles Fowler.

CHARLES FOWLER *ſworn.*

I am a gardener. The priſoner took me to his lodgings in Parker's-ſtreet, Drury-lane; I met the priſoner near London-bridge; I had been to a punch-club; I never ſaw him before; he ſaid, if I went with him, I ſhould have a good bed; I told him I was afraid I was locked out; I went to his lodging, and went to bed, and fell aſleep; I awoke about ſix or ſeven o'clock, I ſuppoſe; when I awoke, my clothes were all gone; he ſat upon the chair when I went to bed; the priſoner was gone; I ſaw my things at the Juſtice's; he was apprehended on Sunday night.

ROGER GASTRELL *ſworn.*

I am conſtable of the pariſh of St. Clement. April the 22d, Sunday night, the priſoner was brought in as diſorderly, to the watch-houſe; he had theſe clothes on his back; I ſearched him, and found this knife, and theſe buckles and keys; he was brought in on Monday morning, about one o'clock.

(Proſecutor depoſes to the articles.)

PRISONER's DEFENCE.

I met him in the city, and he wanted to go to a night-houſe, and I went with him, and had ſomething to drink; then he ſaid he wanted a girl and ſome beer, and he got a girl, and went to her lodgings, and gave her a ſhilling to lay with her, and another ſhilling he gave out for gin; he gave me the clothes to take care of.

Proſecutor.

Profecutor. My lord the priſoner picked my pocket of two or three ſhillings; and, as to the woman, I underſtood her to be his wife.

GUILTY.

Tried by the firſt Middleſex Jury, before Mr. RECORDER.

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249. SUSANNAH GILLING was indicted for ſtealing, on the 20th of May, one canvaſs bag, value 1d. and ten ſhillings in money, the property of Daniel Stubbs.

DANIEL STUBBS *ſworn.*

I went with one of my ſhopmates to Billingſgate to buy ſome mackrel; we came back to the Ship and Wheat-ſheaf, the corner of Nightingale-lane: the priſoner and another woman were drinking gin: me and my companion had a pot of beer: I changed half a guinea, and put the ten ſhillings into the bag, which I put into my jacket pocket: the priſoner came to my ſide; and preſently I thought I felt ſomething at my jacket pocket; and I ſaw the bag in her hand, which ſhe placed under her arm pit; I put my hand in my pocket and I ſaid, you impudent whore, you have robbed me; ſhe ſtruck me, and ſaid, you lying b—r I have not been near you; I ſent to Whiteway, and he ſaid I might bring the priſoner to him, he ſhould not come to me; I never loſt ſight of her.

Priſoner. I never ſaw his money; he was drunk, and throwing his money about the tap room.

GUILTY.

Tried by the firſt Middleſex Jury before Mr. COMMON SERJEANT.

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250. JOHN ROWLEY was indicted for feloniouſly ſtealing, on the 25th day of April, a hand ſaw, value 1s. a jack plane, value 1s. an augur, value 1s. an iron draw board, value 6d. and an iron ſquare, value 8d. the goods of Edward Smart.

EDWARD SMART *ſworn.*

I am a carpenter: I work in North-ſtreet, near the City Road. On Wedneſday, the 25th of April, I left the place between four and five, and returned about ſix o'clock on Thurſday morning, and the tools were gone: the building was not covered in: they were in the cellar.

GEORGE NEWMAN *ſworn.*

I am a conſtable. I ſaw the priſoner coming down Beech-lane very much in liquor; ſeeing theſe things in his hands, and ſuſpecting him, I ſtopped him. (The tools produced.)

PRISONER's DEFENCE.

I found them coming down the City Road.

GUILTY.

Tried by the London Jury before Mr. COMMON SERJEANT.

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251. WILLIAM ASKEW was indicted for feloniouſly ſtealing, on the 10th day of May, eight yards and a half of muſlin, value 20s. the goods of Richard Jellicoe, privily in his ſhop.

RICHARD JELLICOE *ſworn.*

I live in London Wall. I am an upholder. I heard the cry of ſtop thief! I ſaw the priſoner running: he ran down Broker-row; I purſued him till a perſon ſtopped him.

MARGARET JELLICOE *ſworn.*

I carry on buſineſs in the muſlin way. On Thurſday, the 10th of May, about eleven o'clock, I had occaſion to uſe this muſlin; I took it out of a box, and laid it on the counter: the maid informed me there was a boy gone out of the ſhop; I went into the ſhop and miſſed the muſlin from the counter: the maid was in the parlour: I went to the door and ſaw a boy running away; I ſaw the muſlin in the horſe ride; the boy was not three yards from

from it; no one but him was running, nor any body elſe there; I brought it home, and the conſtable gave it me.

MARY RAVENS *ſworn.*

I was ſervant at the time of this robbery. I ſaw William Aſkew, the priſoner, go out of the ſhop about eleven o'clock in the forenoon; I did not ſee him take any thing; I am ſure I ſaw him go from the counter; I did not ſee him take any thing; I gave the alarm to Margaret Jellicoe; and ſhe aſked me which way he went, and I ſaid to the right; ſhe purſued him.

Margaret Jellicoe. The muſlin was upon the counter not three minutes before it was miſſed.

STEPHEN JONES *ſworn.*

I am a conſtable. About half an hour paſt eleven I was ſent for to Mr. Jellicoe: I ſecured the priſoner, and have kept the muſlin ever ſince.

(Miſs Jellicoe depoſes to the muſlin.)

PRISONER's DEFENCE.

I was going on an errand when this affair happened, and as I was running they took me.

GUILTY.

Tried by the London Jury before Mr. COMMON SERJEANT.

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252. JANE BECKWITH was indicted for feloniouſly ſtealing, on the 12th day of May, two pieces of ſilver coin, called half crowns, value 5s. and two ſhillings, the monies of David Faro.

DAVID FARO *ſworn.*

I am a hackney coachman. I was ſetting down a fare at two o'clock in the morning, on the 12th of May; the priſoner came to me and made uſe of an expreſſion that is not decent for me to ſay here; ſhe took my money away; I charged the watch with her, and another woman was coming up: on the head ſide of the half crown it is perfectly clear, on the woman ſide it is plain.

JOHN DENTAM *ſworn.*

I am watch houſe keeper of St. Dunſtan's in the Weſt. I ſearched the priſoner and found four ſhillings; after ſome further ſearch I found half a crown ſecreted in her petticoat and pinned up; it could not have been put there on purpoſe.

PRISONER's DEFENCE.

I had been with a gentleman in Butcher-row to a tavern, who had given me that money that night, and leaving him I paſſed by the coachman who had another woman ſtanding by him; and he immediately laid hold of me and ſaid I had robbed him.

GUILTY.

Tried by the firſt Middleſex Jury before Mr. COMMON SERJEANT.

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253. WILLIAM STYLES was indicted for ſtealing, on the 2d day of April, a chiſſel and other tools, value 3s. the property of John Wooding.

JOHN WOODING *ſworn.*

I am a carpenter. I live in Whitechapel. I worked for Mr. Moxley. I hid my tools in a building on the 31ſt of March: it is on Artichoke Hill: On Monday my tools were loſt.

RICHARD FREER *ſworn.*

I am the miniſter of an independant church. On Sunday morning, between ſix and ſeven in the morning, I was going into a vacant ſpot of ground, near to which Mr. Moxley had been recently building ſome houſes; I ſaw the priſoner coming out of the back door of one of them; on ſeeing me he returned into the houſe; I watched him; and in ten minutes he came out and ran acroſs my ground; I caught him on the fence with the tools: he ſaid he was a ſervant to the carpenter; and on his giving a very exact account of the building, and even

even my own houſe, and alſo expreſſing a deſire to fetch his maſter, I let him go: I took him again on the Saturday following.

GUILTY.

Tried by the firſt Middleſex Jury before Mr. COMMON SERJEANT.

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254. JOHN DRAKE was indicted for ſtealing, on the 12th day of May, ſix bridles, value 20s. a martingal, value 1s. the property of William Welch.

JOHN COOK *ſworn.*

I am headborough of St. George's. I apprehended the priſoner on the 15th in St. Giles's: and I found in a cloſet ſix bridles and one martingal; and on the ſacking of the bed on which he lay I found ſix pick-lock keys.

(Welch depoſes to the bridles.)

The priſoner ſaid in his defence that a countryman of his had left the articles for him to take care of.

GUILTY. (Aged 27.)

Tried by the ſecond Middleſex Jury before Mr. COMMON SERJEANT.

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255. MARY HARRIS was indicted for ſtealing, on the 17th of May, a linen ſhirt, value 2s. the goods of John Kenney.

CATHERINE KENNEY *ſworn.*

I was ironing in a back room: my huſband was aſleep: the priſoner was in the room: I went to ſerve ſome rum; on my return I miſſed the ſhirt, and aſked her for it; ſhe ſaid I might ſearch her; I ſaid I would: I ſent for a conſtable.

JOHN BEAMISH *ſworn.*

I ſearched the priſoner: I found the ſhirt on the priſoner, between her thighs, under her apron, not under her petticoats.

The priſoner ſaid that a man came in with her and drank ſome rum, and that he gave her the ſhirt to pawn.

GUILTY, 10d.

Tried by the ſecond Middleſex Jury before Mr. COMMON SERJEANT.

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256. JOHN JONES was indicted for ſtealing, on the 25th day of May, one linen ſheet, value 5s. the property of John Henckell.

MARY HENCKELL *ſworn.*

I am the wife of John Henckell. I loſt a ſheet the 25th of May: I loſt a ſheet off the bed: the priſoner lodged at my houſe; this was the firſt night; I miſſed it in the morning.

Mr. BRAY *ſworn.*

I am a publican: I keep the Horſe and Groom at Hampſtead: the proſecutor is my tenant. On Friday, the 25th of May, I ſaw the priſoner come out of Henckell's houſe; Mrs. Henckell came after him in about a minute, and ſaid that man had ſtolen a ſheet: I followed him, and found the ſheet wrapped round his body.

GUILTY.

Tranſported for ſeven years.

Tried by the ſecond Middleſex Jury before Mr. COMMON SERJEANT.

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257. BARNABUS YATES and THOMAS STONEHARD were indicted for feloniouſly ſtealing, on the 24th of May, a ſtuff petticoat, value 5s. the goods of Matthew Eades.

It appeared that the priſoner Stonehard was taken in the act of concealing the petticoat under his coat.

YATES, NOT GUILY.

STONEHARD, GUILTY.

Whipped.

Tried by the ſecond Middleſex Jury before Mr. RECORDER.

258. THOMAS CRISP was indicted for ſtealing, on the 24th of April, one tenon ſaw, value 4s. the goods of John Chandler.

JOHN CHANDLER *ſworn.*

I loſt a ſaw on the 24th of April from Mr. With's ſhop: Mr. With found the ſaw upon the priſoner.

ISAAC WITH *ſworn.*

On the 24th of April I heard a man had been inquiring for me, and aſked for a job; he came to my houſe once or twice; he had been aſſiſting my people to get in a heavy piece of timber, and aſked for ſome ſmall beer: I was drinking tea in my back kitchen: I heard the door open, and ſomebody go up ſtairs; there is a large room up one pair of ſtairs which I uſe as a work-ſhop, and for the men to keep their tools; I ſtooped to ſee who went out, and a lady who was drinking tea with me ſaid, that was the man who had been aſking for a job; I ran after him, and ſeeing ſomething ſtick out behind, I ſtopped him; I aſked him what he had got? he ſaid he had got nothing; I looked under his coat, and there was a ſaw; I laid hold of his collar and told him I would keep him till I knew which of the men the ſaw belonged to; I ſent for the men; and John Chandler owned the ſaw.

HUGH JONES *ſworn.*

I was ſent for to take the priſoner into cuſtody. I received the ſaw from Chandler.

Proſecutor. (Depoſes to the ſaw.) I have had this ſaw eight months; this is the ſaw I gave to the conſtable.

PRISONER's DEFENCE.

I am a countryman, and I made rather too free with liquor: I had a fall from a ſcaffold, and when I drink too much I don't know what I am about. I hope your lordſhip and gentlemen of the jury will have mercy on me; it is the firſt time I ever did any thing of the kind, and ſhall be the laſt.

GUILTY.

Tried by the firſt Middleſex Jury before Mr. Juſtice ASHURST.

Jury. We wiſh to recommend this poor wretch to mercy.

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259. JOHN MANN was indicted for ſtealing, on the 26th of April laſt, twenty-ſeven ſilver buttons, value 7s. one kerſeymire waiſtcoat, value 8s. and one pair of kerſeymire breeches, value 10s. the goods of William Fenn.

WILLIAM FENN *ſworn.*

I loſt the things mentioned in the indictment; they are worth 38s. About a quarter before twelve I left the things upon the cutting board in the ſhop: the priſoner worked for me: he went to dinner about half an hour after I went out; in a quarter of an hour after I went up ſtairs, my ſilver buttons were gone from the place in which I left them; I went to the alehouſe to look for him, and to his lodgings; he had not been to either; then I concluded I had been robbed; I got a horſe and followed him to Harrow on the Hill; I enquired at the King's Head at Harrow, and found the priſoner was there; he ran out of the door and fell into a dunghole, and I a top of him; I brought him back to the houſe and found the breeches; and he pulled the buttons out of his left hand waiſtcoat pocket, and laid them on the table.

(The articles produced and depoſed to.)

THOMAS FOSTER *ſworn.*

The priſoner came to my father's on the 25th of April laſt and called for a pint of ale; after he had been there ſome time he produced from a bundle a waiſtcoat and a pair of breeches; he offered the waiſtcoat for ſale for nine ſhillings; a countryman offered half a crown; ſome time after the proſecutor

proſecutor came up to the door; the priſoner ſaw him; and as I was going out he whiſpered to me, not to let that man know he was in the houſe; when I went to the door I found on my return the priſoner run away.

GUILTY.

Tried by the firſt Middleſex Jury before Mr. Juſtice ASHURST.

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260. LAURENCE KEEN was indicted for feloniouſly ſtealing, on the 24th day of May, one cambrick handkerchief, value 5s. the property of the Reverend George Edmondſon, privately from his perſon.

GEORGE EDMONDSON *ſworn.*

I had my pocket picked in Oxford-ſtreet: I did not know it at the time: a man in the ſtreet told me that a man had juſt that moment picked my pocket; I purſued the priſoner; he was running very faſt; I caught him; the moment I got up to him he threw the handkerchief on the pavement; I picked it up; that is the man.

Priſoner. Did not you ſwear before the juſtice that you did not ſee the handkerchief before it was *excommunicated* from me?

PRISONER's DEFENCE.

Pleaſe you, my lord, I was going along Oxford-ſtreet; I ſaw people running, and thought there was a fight; I was running; and two people run by me; aud this gentleman cried out ſtop thief! and he came up and detected me, and ſaid he had detected a thief: I am a native of America, and juſt come out of the hoſpital; my knee is ſmaſhed all to pieces.

GUILTY, Death.

Tried by the firſt Middleſex Jury before Mr. RECORDER.

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261 JOHN MATTHEWS was indicted for ſtealing, on the 20th day of May, one piece of ſilver called a half crown, value 2s. 6d. fourteen ſixpences, and twenty-eight ſhillings, the monies of John Foreman.

GEORGE FOREMAN *ſworn.*

I am brother to the proſecutor. On Sunday evening, the 20th of May, his ſon came to me about eight o'clock, and told me that the priſoner at the bar had robbed the till of the bar: John Foreman keeps a publick houſe: he was confined in the main guard in the Tower, by order of the Governor, Governor Gore: we got a peace officer, and took him into cuſtody; he was ſearched, and one guinea, and ſix half guineas, one pound eighteen in ſilver, and four ſhillings and ſixpence in halfpence were found upon him.

HENRY FOREMAN *ſworn.*

I am ſixteen years old. I am the ſon of the proſecutor. I was in a little parlour adjoining to the bar on the 20th of April; I heard the rattling of money; I went into the bar, and I ſaw the priſoner ſtanding before the till; he was trying to ſhove in the till, but it was ſtiff, and would not go in; it was not locked when I had left it laſt, but it was ſhut cloſe to; the priſoner told me he went in for a glaſs of peppermint; I told him to take it; the drawer where the money was was half open and half ſhut; I examined the drawer, and found the gold and ſilver were taken out of it; I do not know what money was in it before; I know there were above twenty-three ſhillings in it in ſhillings, and a great quantity of ſixpences; there is always gold and ſilver mixed together; he left three ſixpences and one ſhilling: I had not been out of the bar five minutes when I heard the money rattle; I ſaw him puſh the till drawer; I called Daly, and told him that John had taken all the money out of the drawer.

Priſoner. Before the juſtice did not you ſwear there was not any gold kept in the bar?—I did not. The priſoner was our waiter.

PETER

PETER DALY *ſworn.*

I was in a room adjoining the bar; this lad told me that the waiter robbed the till; I detained the priſoner, till they ſent to the Governor of the Tower; the houſe is in Tower; I kept him till the ſerjeant of the guard came.

JOHN SKETCHLEY *ſworn.*

I was ſent for from the watch-houſe to the guard-room in the Tower; I ſearched the priſoner, and found ſix half-guineas and a guinea, in his fob; in his coat-pocket, four ſhillings and ſix-pence in half-pence, and one pound eighteen ſhillings in ſilver.

PRISONER's DEFENCE.

I uſed to draw beer for the proſecutor; I ſerved him faithfully five months and a half; the money that I had I worked hard for.

GUILTY.

Tried by the firſt Middleſex Jury before Mr. Juſtice ASHURST.

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262. JOHN PARTON was indicted for feloniouſly ſtealing, on the 21ſt day of April, five printed books, value 16s. the goods of John Forbes.

(The priſoner was taken with the books.)

GUILTY.

Tried by the firſt Middleſex Jury before Mr. RECORDER.

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263. JAMES M'CULLOCK was indicted for ripping, cutting, and breaking, with intent to ſteal, ſeventy-four pounds weight of lead, value 5s. affixed to the dwelling-houſe of Daniel M'Carty, on the 6th day of April.

A ſecond Count, charging him with ſtealing the ſame lead.

GUILTY.

Tried by the firſt Middleſex Jury before Mr. RECORDER.

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264. MARY ROURKE was indicted for ſtealing, on the 8th of May, one watch, the inſide caſe made of metal, and the outſide caſe covered with tortoiſeſhell, and enamelled, value 30s. a cornelian ſeal, ſet in gold, value 6s. a ſteel chain, value 1d. a key, value 1d. the property of Benjamin Henry Le Trobe.

BENJAMIN HENRY LE TROBE *ſworn.*

I loſt a metal watch, chain, and ſeals, as in the indictment, and two or three trinkets, on the 8th of May, in my dwelling-houſe. The priſoner is a relation of a very old ſervant in the family, and on that account has been often employed by Mrs. Le Trobe; by that means ſhe became acquainted with my ſervants, and with my nurſery-maid. On the morning of the 8th of May, Mrs. Le Trobe and myſelf went from home very early; before nine; upon going out of our bed-chamber, I wiſhed her to put on her watch, which I then ſaw hang at the bed's head; ſhe went out without it, but gave charge to the nurſery-maid not to permit the child to play with it: we did not return home till twelve at night, and I immediately miſſed the watch from the bed's head; I not eaſily finding it, I called the nurſery-maid, and the whole room was ſearched; the bed, and every part; I underſtood the priſoner had been there that evening to ſee the nurſery-maid, in the bed-chamber. I ſent for a conſtable the next morning, by ſix o'clock; and at that hour the conſtable, the nurſery-maid, and myſelf, went to Wincheſter-row, where the priſoner ſaid ſhe lived; we found out the houſe, but were informed ſhe had been gone a fortnight; we accordingly came home; I was

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out all that day; in the evening, I found the priſoner at my houſe in cuſtody; ſhe was ſearched before me by the conſtable, and upon her was found, I believe, about twenty-eight ſhillings, and two duplicates; I circulated hand-bills, and received an account of the watch from Sir Lawrence Cox's office; I ſaw the duplicate in the name of Mrs. Le Trobe.

ISABELLA WILSON *ſworn.*

I am nurſery-maid to Mr. Le Trobe. The priſoner was at our houſe on the day he has mentioned, the 8th of May; we went up ſtairs into the bed-room, into my miſtreſs's room, to ſhew her a bonnet, with a child; I left the priſoner to put away the chairs, and came down ſtairs; ſhe ſaid ſhe would ſtop till eight or nine o'clock; and when ſhe came down, ſhe ſaid ſhe was ill, and muſt go home, and come on the Sunday following; the watch was hanging in the bed-chamber when we went up; when my maſter came home, he miſſed the watch, and called to me. The conſtable, a young man, and me, met the priſoner by accident, yeſterday, in the ſtreet.

ROBERT SIMPSON *ſworn.*

I am a pawnbroker. I took this watch in pledge of the priſoner, on the 8th of May, before eight at night, in the name of Mrs. Barry, for Mrs. Le Trobe; I gave her a duplicate for one pound fifteen; on the Friday afterwards, I received a hand-bill, deſcribing the watch: I ſaw the priſoner at the Juſtice's.

(The watch depoſed to.)

PRISONER's DEFENCE.

I know nothing about the watch; I have not applied to any witneſſes.

GUILTY. (Aged 23.)

Tried by the firſt Middleſex Jury, before Mr. Juſtice ASHURST.

265. SARAH BOND, wife of William, was indicted for ſtealing, on the 19th of April, a dimity table-cloth, value 1s. and divers other things, the property of George Shaw.

The priſoner had pawned the things which were depoſed to.

GUILTY. (Aged 38.)

Tried by the London Jury before Mr. COMMON SERJEANT.

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266. BRIAN GAHAGAN, alias CARGAN, was indicted for ſtealing, on the 31ſt of March laſt, a plank of mahogany, containing twelve feet, value 26s. the goods of Joſeph Sherwood.

(The priſoner offered the plank for ſale, and was ſtopped.)

PRISONER's DEFENCE.

I know nothing of the wood.

GUILTY.

Tranſported for fourteen years.

Tried by the London Jury before Mr. COMMON SERJEANT.

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267. MARIA ROBERTS was indicted for feloniouſly ſtealing, on the 13th of May, one leather pocket-book, value 6d. and a bill of exchange, value 12l. the goods of John Ord, privily from his perſon.

JOHN ORD *ſworn.*

I am clerk to Meſſrs. Graham and Co. Weſt India merchants. On the 14th of May, between twelve and one in the morning, I was going up Fleet-ſtreet; I met two women; they laid hold, one on each arm, requeſting, as they went along, I ſhould give

them ſome money or wine; I was not perfectly ſober; I diſengaged myſelf from them, and walked away; this woman at the bar followed me; ſhe ran after me, and overtook me; ſhe ſaid ſhe was very poor, and begged ſome money; I ſtill went on till I came to an opening; I turned down there, and ſhe followed; at that time, I ſuppoſe, ſhe took the pocket-book; I miſſed my pocket-book, and accuſed her of taking it; I offered her the half-guinea, rather than have any more trouble; the patrol came up, and took her to the watch-houſe; I followed; and before we got to the watch-houſe, I ſaw my pocket-book drop from her; her hand was behind her; I am ſure it dropped from her.

PRISONER's DEFENCE.

My motive was not to do any thing bad, when I came out. I met ſeveral gentlemen, being much diſtreſſed, but no one relieved me: this was the laſt gentleman I met; he went down a turning; I aſked him if I ſhould do any thing to oblige him? he aſked me to do ſomething that was very indecent; he was going away without giving me any thing; I ſaid I hoped he would not be ſo mean, as I was much diſtreſſed.

GUILTY, Stealing 6d.

Tried by the London Jury before Mr. COMMON SERJEANT.

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268. WILLIAM THOMPSON was indicted for feloniouſly aſſaulting William Boſworth, in an open place near the king's highway, on the 18th of April laſt, and putting him in fear, and feloniouſly taking from his perſon, and againſt his will, three half-crowns, four ſhillings, a halfpenny, and a bad ſixpence, his monies.

JAMES BOSWORTH *ſworn.*

I was robbed on the 18th of April, in Moorfields, by William Thompſon, the priſoner at the bar; it was between ſeven and eight at night; the priſoner was going by Mr. Nutt's door, in Old Bethlem; I was coming down the ſteps; he accoſted me by the name of Jem, apparently very drunk; he had been, he ſaid, to Wapping, among ſome friends, and they had cut him up, which I very readily agreed to thinking he was drunk; he ſaid he lived in Fore-ſtreet; I told him I would ſee him to Spinning-wheel-alley, and then he might lay hold of the rails, and get home ſafe; when we had got into Moorfields, I ſaid now, good man, you are ſafe, I will leave you; he held very faſt by me, and ſaid no, d—n his e—s, you ſhall go and drink with me, which I refuſed; he held me very faſt, ruſhed up againſt me, and robbed me; I felt his hand in my pocket; I found the deception; he was not drunk; he had no weapons that I ſaw; he took from me three half-crowns, four ſhillings, and a halfpenny; I then ſaid, good God, you have robbed me! there was no other violence, than his ruſhing very hard againſt me when he robbed me; I did not perceive it till after he robbed me; when I accuſed him of robbing me, he laughed at me, and aſked me to lend him half-a-crown; I told him no, he had deprived me of my money; he then ſaid, d—n my e—s, I will lend you a guinea, if you want it? I ſaid no, I did not want any of his; he walked on to Fore-ſtreet and Red-croſs-ſtreet; he met a girl with a baſket of radiſhes on her head; he gave the girl a penny, and ſays, d—n my e—s, Poll, here's a penny to get a glaſs of gin; and again he ſaid, d—n my e—s, Poll, I have done him; I followed him to Red-croſs-ſtreet, and he turned round and ſaid, if you follow me, and ſay I have robbed you, I will knock you down; I ſaid you had better not; then he ſaid, d—n my e—s, if you follow me, I will charge you with a conſtable; he went into Mr. Edwards's ſhop, and I deſired Mr. Edwards to hear me; he then, to my great ſurpriſe, charged me with an unnatural crime; ſome other conſtables came by, or I ſhould not have been able to manage him, he was ſo *obſtropolous*;

obſtropolous; they ſearched him, and found my money.

Priſoner. Why did not you charge me at the time you felt me rob you?—It was quite dark; I waited for a fair opportunity.

JOHN EDWARDS *ſworn.*

The proſecutor brought the priſoner into my ſhop on the 18th of April; I live in Barbican; he charged the priſoner with robbing him; I aſked him of what? as the priſoner ſeemed ſo much intoxicated with liquor, I was afraid to encounter him; I ſent for ſome brother officers; they ſearched his pockets, and found ſome money, but what money I cannot tell; after they had done ſearching him, I was willing to ſearch him myſelf; and in a waiſtcoat-pocket, I found a bad ſix-pence: the proſecutor ſaid that was not all the money he had about him; I put my hand on his cheek, and heard money rattle againſt his cheek.

Priſoner to Proſecutor. Did I carry you to Mr. Edwards's houſe, or did you carry me?—I did not know Edwards; the priſoner went, and I followed him.

WILLIAM WRIGHT *ſworn.*

The priſoner at the bar I heard called at my houſe; I was not at home; when I came home, I went to Edwards's houſe, and in the ſhop I ſaw the priſoner, and he immediately ſaid take charge of this man as a ſodomite; he was very reſolute, and I drew my cutlaſs; and he ſwore I ſhould take him to the Compter; then the proſecutor charged him of robbing him of three half-crowns, four ſhillings, and a copper coin: Newman then came in, and we put the hand-cuffs on him, and ſearched him, and found all the money, except one ſhilling, which was changed.

SIMON STEVENS *ſworn.*

I produce ſome money which I took from the priſoner.

JOHN NEWMAN *ſworn.*

I was ſent for by Mr. Edwards, after the other officers had ſearched the priſoner; there was a half-crown miſſing; I ſaid I would ſearch him; he ſaid, ſearch as you pleaſe, but I have no half-crown, or a farthing more about me; I believe the priſoner was ſober.

PRISONER's DEFENCE.

On the 18th of May, I went acroſs the middle cut of Moorfields. The proſecutor laid hold of my arm, and ſaid, you are very drunk; I ſaid, more is my misfortune; he began to take indecent liberties; he thruſt his hand into my breeches. *(Here the language of the priſoner became too offenſive for the public eye.)*

GUILTY of ſtealing, but not of the robbery.

Tried by the London Jury before Mr. Juſtice ASHURST.

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269. JOHN MANNING was indicted for feloniouſly ſtealing, on the 21ſt day of April, two pair of cotton ſtockings, value 3s. three linen aprons, value 6s. and a piece of linen cloth, value 1s. the goods of Judith Horsfield.

JUDITH HORSFIELD *ſworn.*

I loſt the articles named in the indictment. I am ſervant at Mr. Jackſon's, Gray's Inn: I loſt theſe things from a drawer; I believe the things were all in one drawer; Mr. Jackſon's is No. 9, Gray's Inn; I miſſed them on Saturday, the 21ſt of April; I came down ſtairs, and found the priſoner in the kitchen; I thought it had been the man who cleans my maſter's brother's ſhoes; he ran away; I ran after him, and cried ſtop thief! he was taken.

JOHN MORRIS *ſworn.*

I am a watchman, and porter of Gray's Inn. I ſaw the priſoner the 21ſt of April, in Gray's Inn: I heard Mr. Horsfield call ſtop thief! I took the priſoner to Mr. Jackſon's chambers, and Mr. Jackſon ſent me for a conſtable.

THOMAS

THOMAS JACKSON *ſworn.*

I was in Mrs. Jackſon's chambers; I heard the cry of ſtop thief! and looked out of the window, and ſaw the priſoner run; he was brough back by the porter.

JOSEPH TENABY *ſworn.*

I produce the goods; I had them from Mr. Jackſon.

(Mrs. Horsfield depoſed to the things.)

Priſoner. I crave the mercy of the Court.

The priſoner called two witneſſes who gave him a good character.

GUILTY.

Tried by the firſt Middleſex Jury before Mr. RECORDER.

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270. ANN YOUNG was indicted for ſtealing, on the 30th of January, one cloth cloak, value 2s. a cloth waiſtcoat, value 9d. and two yards of lace, value 1s. the property of Thomas Blackburn.

THOMAS BLACKBURN *ſworn.*

I am foreman to Mr. Maſon; he is a cotton manufacturer; I lodge in a firſt floor; the priſoner was a *winſter*; we loſt the lace about February; the ſcarlet cloak, about March; the goods were found on the priſoner, at Mr. Spiller's office, on the 4th of April; the waiſtcoat part is ſewed to another cloak; we found the lace in Little George-ſtreet, at Mrs. Ellis's.

ELEANOR BLACK *ſworn.*

I am the wife of the laſt witneſs: I have never ſeen my cloak, but I have the waiſtcoat part; that is ſewed to her own cloak; here is the lace; I could know it any where.

ELIZABETH WHITE *ſworn.*

I bought the lace of the priſoner about February; ſhe told me the lace was her's, and ſhe had had it many years.

ELIZABETH MECKHAM *ſworn.*

I am a weaver. I know the lace, and I know the cloak: (the lace ſhewn to her): this is Mrs. Blackburn's: (looks at the cloak): the waiſtcoat part of this cloak is Mrs. Blackburn's; I know the waiſtcoat; the third button is off, and the bottom button-hole broke.

MARY ELLIS *ſworn.*

I keep a ſchool: the priſoner had a furniſhed room of mine. Mrs. Blackburn came for the cloak in the morning; and as ſoon as ſhe was gone, ſhe ſent the girl for the cloak, but it was not Mrs. Blackburn's cloak.

Priſoner. I am not guilty of the robbery, I aſſure you.

GUILTY.

Tried by the firſt Middleſex Jury before Mr. RECORDER.

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271. SARAH TURNER was indicted for feloniouſly ſtealing, on the 10th day of May, a ſilver watch, value 12s. a watch-chain, value 1d. a watch-key, value 1d. a cotton gown, value 1s. and a pair of linen ſheets, value 4s. the goods of John Humphries.

JOHN HUMPHRIES *ſworn.*

I am a gardener. I loſt the things from my houſe in Chelſea: the priſoner lived with us as a weekly ſervant; ſhe lived with us at the time the things were loſt; on the 10th of May, me and my wife were out, and during our abſence, the priſoner went away; we returned about a quarter before ſeven, and miſſed her and the property. A conſtable, Treadway, came and aſked me next day if I had loſt my watch? I ſaid, yes; he ſhewed it me; I know it was my watch.

Mrs. HUMPHRIES *ſworn.*

The ſheet was in a box, open; the gown upon the bed, and the watch hung up.

EDWARD

EDWARD TREADWAY *ſworn.*

I was ſitting up at the watch-houſe on Thurſday the 10th of May; a little after ten o'clock at night the watchman brought her in; ſhe ſeemed in liquor; I aſked her how ſhe came by the ſheets; ſhe ſaid ſhe had them from Mr. Dobree's, a pawnbroker in Holborn: I ſearched her, and found a watch in her pocket, which ſhe ſaid ſhe had found on a dunghill.

The WATCHMAN *ſworn.*

I took the woman to St. Giles's watch-houſe, and ſhe was ſearched and the things found.

(Humphries depoſed to the watch.)

GUILTY.

Tried by the firſt Middleſex Jury before Mr. RECORDER.

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272. DENNIS M'CARTY was indicted for ſtealing, on the 9th of May five iron ſhovels value 2s. eight iron-ſhovel pans value 2s. one bag of nails value 1s. and two beef forks value 2s. the goods of James Tate.

JAMES TATE *ſworn.*

I am an ironmonger; I have great reaſon to believe I loſt a great many things in conſequence of a fire breaking out next door to me; I miſſed them next morning; I went to Litchfield-ſtreet, and ſaw the ſeveral articles in the indictment.

THOMAS JOHNSTON *ſworn.*

On the 10th of this month I was alarmed by fire; I went to the fire, and ſaw the priſoner coming from the fire with a bag at his back; I followed him into the yard, and he put down five ſhovel pans, and two beef forks; it was in a ſtable yard; there were ſeveral coach-houſes; the priſoner never was out of my ſight till I took him into cuſtody; I took them to Mr. Tate to aſk him if they were his; he told me that Mr. Tate owed him half-a-crown, and he took theſe things for it as he could not get money of him: I aſked him how he could rob the poor ſouls that were ſurrounded by flames of fire.

WILLIAM FORD *ſworn.*

I water hackney-coach horſes in Oxford-road; I went to the fire; and going through the yard I ſaw Johnſton and the priſoner ſtanding together, the priſoner had his hands behind him; I aſked him what he had there, and he ſaid nothing: I took theſe three pans and a bag of nails from him; Mr. Tate ſaid they were his property.

CORNELIUS BERGIN *ſworn.*

I am a watchman.

JOSEPH WHITEMAN *ſworn.*

I was conſtable of the night; I produce five paring ſhovels, five pans, and two beef forks; the priſoner was brought in with them.

James Tate. The things have my ſhop-mark; the pans are marked with chalk, and the nails and beef forks with ink.

PRISONER's DEFENCE.

I had been drinking with my landlord and my landlady till near one o'clock; I was near drunk; my landlord and landlady went to quarrelling, and he ſaid I ſhould not ſleep in the houſe that night, and he turned me out, and I went towards the Pound and wanted to evacuate; I went into a corner and there I found theſe things; I was going to bed at a public houſe; I had a guinea in my pocket at the time.

The priſoner called ſix witneſſes who gave him a very good character.

GUILTY. (Aged 27.)

Tried by the firſt Middleſex Jury before Mr. RECORDER.

273. THOMAS VINCENT, was indicted for feloniouſly ſtealing, on the 19th day of May, one live cock fowl value 4s. two live hens, &c. value 3s. and eight hens eggs, &c. value 8d. the goods of Geo. Bidden.

GEORGE BIDDEN *ſworn.*

I am a gentleman in the pariſh of St. Leonard, Shoreditch; on Saturday evening the 19th of May, the fowls were all ſafe in an arched vault; I miſſed them on the Sunday; I gave information at Mr. Spiller's office, and Harper ſent to me from Kingſland-road about five o'clock in the afternoon, there I ſaw a hen and eight eggs.

SAMUEL HARPER *ſworn.*

I received information of this robbery, and went to the priſoner's houſe, and he ſaid he had no fowls but two Bantams; Armſtrong went into the cellar and found both the Bantam hens ſitting in the cellar; we took the priſoner, and then found the gentleman's hen and the eggs; he ſaid he had the hen eight or nine days.

Priſ. That is not truth, Mr. Harper.

Harper. It is, upon my oath.

Proſecutor. The eggs were marked from 70 to 80 upwards; the hen is remarkable, ſhe has five toes; the eggs are marked with a black-lead pencil.

PRISONER's DEFENCE.

I was going to market, to Billingſgate, to buy fiſh, and I came back as there were no mackerel that would ſuit me; I bought the hen of a man who had got it wrapped up in his apron; I gave him 2s. for her; I ſhould not have kept it till the next day if I had ſtole it; I told Harper that I had bought the hen.

GUILTY.

Tried by the firſt Middleſex Jury before Mr. RECORDER.

274. ROBERT ANDREWS was indicted for ſtealing, on the 11th of April, a wooden caſk value 6d. five gallons of geneva, value 20s. the property of John Read and Geo. Smith.

THOMAS BLACKMORE *ſworn.*

I am ſervant to Meſſrs. John Read and George Smith, in Fan-ſtreet, Alderſgate-ſtreet, diſtillers and brandy merchants: on the 11th of April, about ten in the morning, I was going to put a funnel into the cart, and ſaw the priſoner ſtanding in the cart with a caſk in his arms, when I came to him he was coming down the wheel with a caſk under his right arm; I went to him and aſked him what he was doing, and he put the caſk into the cart again; then I aſked him what he was going to do with the gin, and he ſaid to drink it: I took him to my maſter, he was ſober; the caſk contained five gallons of gin.

——— ANDERSON *ſworn.*

I apprehended the priſoner.

PRISONER's DEFENCE.

Somebody pulled off my hat and threw it into the cart, and I got up for my hat; I was in liquor.

GUILTY.

Tried by the London Jury before Mr. COMMON SERJEANT.

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275. GEORGE SMITH was indicted for feloniouſly ſtealing, on the 14th day of May, one gold watch chain value 3s. the goods of Geo. Littler, privily in his ſhop.

The caſe opened by *Mr. Garrow.*

JOHN HAWLEY *ſworn.*

On the 14th of this month, about half paſt ſeven, I was opening the ſhop; the priſoner came to the ſhop and aſked if Mr. Littler was at home; I ſaid no; he aſked what

what time would he be at home; I ſaid perhaps in half an hour; he ſaid he had told him of a gold repeating watch; I aſked him if it was ſet round with pearl? I then ſhewed him the watch; he ſaid that would do, and aſked me the price; before I ſhewed him the watch he ſaid don't you know me; he ſaid I am Dr. Cooper, of Norfolk-ſtreet; I recollected there was ſuch a perſon in Norfolk-ſtreet, therefore I had no doubt he was the perſon; then I ſhewed him the watch; there were ſome more watches in a glaſs caſe, and that he would take the gold watch alſo that Lady Caroline might have her choice: he put them both in his pocket; then I ſhewed ſome chains; he pitched upon one chain of three guineas, then he went away: as ſoon as he was gone I miſſed the other gold chain marked 3l. 5s. there was no other perſon in the ſhop; I ſaw the chain at Sir Sampſon's.

HARRY HOWELL *ſworn.*

I am a pawnbroke, ſervant to Mr. Jones, pawnbroker in Fleet-ſtreet; I produce a gold watch chain received between the hours of one and three, of Mr. Smith, deſcribed to live in Holborn,; he told me he had given 3l. 5s. for it; I lent him 2l. upon it; it has been in my poſſeſſion ever ſince; I did not know the priſoner before.

GEORGE LITTLER *ſworn.*

This is my chain, I am ſure of it; there is my private mark of the weight on it.

Dr. JOHN COOPER, *ſworn.*

I never ſaw the priſoner in my life before, or did I ever give him or any other perſon, any authority to take goods upon my account.

The priſoner called two witneſſes to his character.

GUILTY, 3s. (Aged 21.)

Tried by the firſt Middleſex Jury, before Mr. RECORDER.

N. B. The chain was ſtated in the indictment at 3s. by a miſtake, which takes off the capital part of the offence.

276. SAMUEL BUTCHER, was indicted for feloniouſly breaking and entering the dwelling-houſe of Elizabeth brockway, on the 13th of April laſt, in the day time, no perſon being therein, and ſtealing 10 pair of ſtockings, value 20s. her property.

The priſoner was taken with the ſtockings.

GUILTY. Value 4s.

Tried by the ſecond Middleſex Jury before Mr. Juſtice ASHURST.

277. ANN MILLS, was indicted for feloniouſly ſtealing, on the 21ſt day of May, one black ſilk bonnet, value 4s. the goods of John Sommers.

JOHN SOMMERS *ſworn.*

My wife loſt her bonnet laſt Monday was a week; I came home about nine at night; I found my room door broke open; I enquired of my landlady if any body had been up to my room; ſhe informed me that the priſoner at the bar had; I went to Mrs. Mortimer's, in Roſe-ſtreet, and found my property; I found the priſoner there at ſupper, and ſhe ſaid the bonnet was hers.

LUCY SOMMERS *ſworn.*

I am wife to the laſt witneſs; (I produce the bonnet;) this bonnet is mine; I received it from the conſtable; I have had it ever ſince; I left this bonnet in my room when I went out, when I return'd the bonnet was gone, and the door broke open; I know it from my own work.

GRACE PROPENJOHN *ſworn.*

I keep the houſe where the proſecutor lodges; I ſaw the priſoner go up ſtairs; ſhe did not ſpeak to me; it was about eight o'clock at night.

Priſoner. I bought the bonnet near three weeks ago, I was not near the place; I have not ſent to any body becauſe I would not expoſe myſelf.

GUILTY.

Tried by the ſecond Middleſex Jury before Mr. Juſtice ASHURST.

278. PETER

278. PETER MANCHA was indicted for ſtealing, on the 12th day of May a ſilver watch value 15s. one pair of corderoy breeches value 7s. and half a guinea, the goods of Thomas Waterow.

THOMAS WATEROW *ſworn.*

I am apprentice to John Douglas, a weaver in Oakley's-row, Spitalfields; I loſt the things on a Saturday morning at 4 o'clock; I was aſleep in bed up two pair of ſtairs in the ſhop; he came to work at 4 o'clock in the morning; he had been at work five days before I miſſed the breeches from the top of my maſter's loom; the watch was in the window, the money was in my box; he, the priſoner, went away; I miſſed the things and I followed him; Randal Howard has them.

JOHN DOUGLAS *ſworn.*

I let the priſoner in about a quarter paſt four o'clock in the morning; my wife heard him coming down ſtairs; the dog barked, and I thought he had done ſomething wrong; I went up ſtairs and aſked the boy where his watch was, and then we miſſed them.

RANDAL HOWARD *ſworn.*

The priſoner worked for me; I found the watch, half a guinea, and the breeches, on the priſoner at whitechapel; I took him into cuſtody.

(The things produced and depoſed to by the proſecutor.)

Priſoner. I have nothing to ſay.

The priſoner called one witneſs to his character.

GUILTY.

Tried by the ſecond Middleſex Jury before Mr. RECORDER.

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279. CATHARINE BULKLEY was indicted for ſtealing, on the 13th day of April, ſixteen yards of thread lace value 6s. the goods of Chriſtopher Tennant.

ELIZABETH LEWIS *ſworn.*

Mr. Tennant is a linen-draper and haberdaſher; I am ſhopwoman; this happened on Friday the 13th of April about 4 o'clock; the priſoner came into the ſhop and requeſted to look at ſome lace; I ſhewed her ſome thread lace; I ſuſpected her, and gave information to a ſervant of my ſuſpicions, and refuſed to ſhew her any more: the ſervant followed her out, and in bringing her back ſhe dropped a piece of lace from under her cloak, and I ſaw her drop it; the value of it is 6s. I know it is Mr. Tennant's; I marked it myſelf; I had ſold ſome of it; I miſſed it at the time; I have not the leaſt doubt of the lace.

HENRY THOMAS *ſworn.*

I followed the priſoner out; I did not ſee her drop any thing; I picked it up, it was between the woman and myſelf; I ſhewed it to Miſs Lewis, and Miſs Lewis ſaid that was it.

Elizabeth Lewis. It is marked G I.

CHARLES PENNY *ſworn.*

(Produces the lace) I received it from Henry Thomas, I have kept it ever ſince.

PRISONER's DEFENCE.

I was driving a barrowful of fruit that coſt me 25s. in a new barrow that coſt me 11s. 1d. I met with another market woman, and ſhe ſaid ſhe wanted a yard of lace; ſhe had bought ſome before, and the child had put a candle behind her back and burnt it: I know and ſhe knows I did not want lace; I wanted more a pair of ſhoes and ſmock to my back.

GUILTY.

Tried by the ſecond Middleſex Jury before Mr. RECORDER.

280. CHARLES

280. CHARLES CRAWLEY was indicted for feloniouſly ſtealing, on the 16th day of May one woman's hat value 4s. the goods of Sebaſtian Juby.

SEBASTIAN JUBY *ſworn.*

I loſt a woman's hat on the 16th of May; I was behind the counter ſerving a cuſtomer; that boy ran into my ſhop, and ſnatched it off the counter; I purſued him; I caught him in at a public houſe, and the hat along with him; I took the hat from him and brought him back; I ſent for a conſtable, and took him to the Rotation-office, Litchfield-ſtreet; he was committed.

The priſoner called three witneſſes who gave him a good character.

GUILTY.

Tried by the ſecond Middleſex Jury before Mr. Juſtice ASHURST.

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281. THOMAS DINGLEY was indicted for ſtealing on the ſecond day of April one fig baſket value 2d. and ten pounds weight of figs value 2s. the goods of Davis Cox.

DAVIS COX *ſworn.*

I loſt a baſket of figs on the ſecond of April about half paſt ſeven in the evening; I was behind the counter, my ſervant was lighting the candles; he jumped off a hogſhead and cried ſtop thief! he ran out of doors, and brought in the priſoner and the baſket which I marked; there was one miſſing out of the window.

JAMES EDWARDS, *ſworn.*

I am ſervant to the proſecutor; I was lighting the candles, and the priſoner came in and put his hand to a baſket of figs, and took them under his arm and ran away; he dropped them at the corner of Ironmonger-row: I am ſure the priſoner is the man who came into the ſhop; I did not ſee him drop them; but I paſſed the place where they were dropped; a lamplighter jumped off his ladder and catched him; they are my maſter's figs.

HENRY MANLEY *ſworn.*

I am a lamplighter; I was coming down my ladder and heard ſomething drop; the priſoner ran by me about 100 yards up Ironmonger-row, and I took him; when I ſtopped him he aſked me what I wanted: I took him to Mr. Cox.

(The figs produced.)

PRISONER's DEFENCE.

I was going up Ironmonger-row, and they ſtopped me; I don't know any more of the things than the child unborn; I was not running at all.

The priſoner called four witneſſes to his character.

GUILTY. (Aged 20.)

Tried by the ſecond Middleſex Jury before Mr. RECORDER.

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282. WILLIAM PEARCE was indicted for feloniouſly ſtealing, on the 14th day of April laſt, a woollen blanket value 4s. a linen ſheet value 6s. a box great coat value 31s. a cloth coat value 1s. and other things, the goods of John Oldridge, in his dwelling-houſe.

JOHN OLDRIDGE *ſworn.*

I live in White's-Alley, Bream's-buildings, Chancery-lane; on Saturday I went to Billingſgate for ſalmon; I returned about ſix o'clock; I was informed I was robbed; I went to bow-ſtreet about a quarter paſt ſix; I found the priſoner in the watch-houſe; the conſtable has the things.

Mr. Garrow, Priſoner's Counſel. Do you know this lad? — Only ſince this affair.

Do you know any body that would take him into their ſervice?—No.

NAOMI OLDRIDGE *ſworn.*

The things mentioned in the indictment were in the firſt floor, a bed room; I ſaw the things about ten o'clock in the morning; I was the laſt perſon in the room, and double-locked the door; the blanket was on the bed, ſo was the ſheet; a perſon was in the ſhop buying ſnuff, and they told me they ſaw a perſon going out with a large bundle; I went up ſtairs and found the door open; I miſſed the things; they are in the poſſeſſion, I believe, of the conſtable, Mr. Walker; Charles Bray brought the priſoner back, and the things; they were the things I firſt miſſed.

CHARLES BRAY *ſworn.*

I am a waiter at Joe's Coffee-houſe; on the 14th of April I was ſtanding at Oldridge's door; ſomebody ſaid Oldridge was robbed; I purſued the priſoner into Lincoln's-inn-fields; I took the priſoner and bundle to Oldridge's; the things were ſhewn to Mrs. Oldridge, who owned them.

Mr. Garrow. Did you live at Joe's Coffee-houſe at this time?—No, Sir, I lived at the White Lion, White's-alley.

WILLIAM WALKER *ſworn.*

I am a taylor and headborough; I produce the articles mentioned in the indictment; I received them from Bray.

Mrs. Oldridge. Depoſes to the goods.

Charles Bray. The priſoner and another man were walking together; I could not hear what they ſaid; there were no pick-lock keys found upon him that I know of.

Court to Oldridge. Theſe clothes have been worn?—Yes, Sir; but the box coat is a very good one.

PRISONER's DEFENCE.

I can give an account how I came by the things: I was going through Bream's-buildings, which is near the proſecutor's houſe; a man aſked me to carry that bundle to Clare-market for 6d. I ſaid I would, and I took it up and threw it a-croſs my ſhoulder, and got half a-croſs Lincoln's-Inn-fields, and there were ſome people running after us; I did not know what they were running after us for; the man who gave me the bundle ran away, and they took me.

The priſoner called three witneſſes, who gave him a very good character.

GUILTY. 38s.

Tranſported for ſeven years.

Tried by the firſt Middleſex Jury before Mr. RECORDER.

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283. JOHN WHITE was indicted for burglariouſly and feloniouſly breaking and entering the dwelling houſe of William Stamp, about the hour of eight in the night, on the 11th of April laſt, and feloniouſly ſtealing therein fifteen ſilk handkerchiefs value 3l. his property.

WILLIAM STAMP *ſworn.*

I live in the Strand, the corner of Southampton-ſtreet; my houſe was broke open the 11th of April; candles had been lighted about half an hour; I was ſtanding behind my counter; it was dark without; there were two a-light in the ſhop, one near to this window that was broke; I was folding up ſome goods, and heard a great ſmaſh; I went directly to the window, and found the handkerchiefs were gone; ſome black, and ſome coloured; their value about three pounds; my ſhop door was faſtened on the outſide by a cord; I heard a cry of ſtop thief! the priſoner was purſued and brought back in the ſpace of a minute or two; there were ſix black handkerchiefs on him, which Day brought to me; we found the reſt in an area, in Southampton-ſtreet, about four doors from my houſe; I have kept them ever ſince; (produces them) there was a ticket on the black handkerchiefs at Bow-ſtreet,

ſtreet, but that was loſt; part of that ticket was the mark of the warehouſe where I bought them, and part my mark.

JOHN DAY *ſworn.*

I ſell fruit at the corner of Southamton-ſtreet; I was ſerving a perſon with ſix penny worth of oranges; I heard the glaſs break and purſued the priſoner; he was cloſe by, I never loſt ſight of him; I took him with ſix black handkerchiefs upon him; I brought him back to the ſhop; there was no other perſon near him; I did not ſee him throw any thing away; I gave the handkerchiefs to Mr. Stamp, and I really believe theſe are the very ſame.

JOSHUA GARRARD *ſworn.*

Between eight and nine I was croſſing Southamp on-ſtreet; I heard a jingling of glaſs; I ſaw a boy about the ſize of the priſoner at the bar ſtart from the place, and I never loſt ſight of him till the mob ſurrounded him; I think he is the ſame boy.

THOMAS BOCK *ſworn.*

I am an umbrella maker, I live oppoſite to Mr. Stamp; the night was dark; I heard the glaſs break; I ſaw the priſoner in cuſtody; I picked up two handkerchiefs in an area, and the reſt lay upon the rails which covered the area.

John Day. The boy ran ſtraight up Southampton-ſtreet.

PRISONER's DEFENCE.

I had been to the Savoy for my father, and coming back, I came through Southampton-ſtreet, ſomebody ran by me and dropped ſomething; I tried to pick it up, and this gentleman (pointing to John Day) came and laid hold of me.

Guilty of ſtealing, to the value of 39s. not of the burglary. (Aged 14)

Tranported for ſeven years.

Tried by the firſt Middleſex Jury before Mr. RECORDER.

284. WILLIAM GRANT was indicted for burglariouſly and feloniouſly breaking and entering the dwelling houſe of Chriſtian Abryhall, on the 26th of April, and feloniouſly ſtealing therein ſix Holland ſhirts, value 1l. 11s. 6d. one white cotton counterpane value 3s. and one gown ſkirt value 2s. his property.

CHRISTIAN ABRYHALL *ſworn.*

I live at No. 21, New Quebec-ſtreet; my houſe was not broke open; I rent the houſe and let lodgings: I had ſeven ſhirts to iron; I was ironing one, and the other ſix were taken away; they were Holland ſhirts: I had folded them down, and they lay in a little tub in my room; when I ſat down to iron I ſhut the door, but did not lock it; I am ſure it was ſhut; I miſſed a cotton counterpane, and a linen gown ſkirt: I went the morning afterwards to the pawnbrokers, and next day to the Rotation-office: I have never ſeen any thing but four ſhirts ſince.

LUCY BEMBRIDGE *ſworn.*

I am a houſe-keeper; I had this property to waſh; they belong to the Duke of Athol; I ſent the ſhirts to Mrs. Abryhall to iron; I wrapped them up in the other things to keep them clean.

JOHN LEED *ſworn.*

I am a pawnbroker; I produce four Holland ſhirts pawned by the priſoner, two on Thurſday, and two on Friday, each about nine in the evening (produces the ſhirt); I ſtopped the priſoner on Saturday evening in conſequence of a hand-bill; I have known him three years.

(Abryhall and Bembridge depoſes to the ſhirts.

PRISONER's DEFENCE.

My lord and gentlemen, I met a man near Macclesfield-ſtreet, who aſked me if I wanted ſome ſhirts; I ſaid yes; and he took

took me up to George-yard, and aſked me 6s. a piece; I pawned two of them to make the money up; if I had thought they had been ſtolen, I ſhould ſcarcely have taken them to pledge: I have lived in credit, and do ſo now, except this accuſation.

Guilty of ſtealing to the value of 1l. 11s. 6d. not of the burglary.

Tranſported for ſeven years.

Tried by the firſt Middleſex Jury before Mr. RECORDER.

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285. MARY COCKYANE was indicted for feloniouſly ſtealing, on the 26th of April, four umbrellas, value 10s. the goods of Thomas Hamlet.

THOMAS HAMLET *ſworn.*

I am a dealer in umbrellas; I live in St. Martin's-court; I was ſerving ſome gentlemen; my ſervant informed me a woman had taken ſome umbrellas; he purſued her and brought her back.

HENRY HUSSEY *ſworn.*

I ſaw the priſoner take one umbrella off a hook at my maſter's ſhop door; I went after her and brought her back; ſhe had two umbrellas under her arm.

HENRY MYERS *ſworn.*

I ſell fruit; I had a cheſt of oranges; the priſoner came and deſired to leave two umbrellas with me (two umbrellas produced.)

Proſecutor. I believe they are mine.

Two other umbrellas produced by the conſtable, who ſaid he had them from Myers.

PRISONER's DEFENCE.

I did not know what I was about.

GUILTY.

Recommended by the Jury.

Fined 1s. and impriſoned one week.

Tried by the firſt Middleſex Jury before Mr. RECORDER.

286. THOMAS DOYLE, was indicted for feloniouſly ſtealing, on the 17th of April, a pair of leather boots value 14s. and a pair of leather ſhoes value 4s. the goods of Archibald Read.

ARCHIBALD READ *ſworn.*

I live in King-ſtreet, Seven-dials; on Monday the 16th of April, the priſoner came to my ſhop, and deſired to be fitted with a pair of boots and a pair of ſhoes; he deſired them to be ſent to his lodgings; he deſired them to be ſent in an hour; I ſent them next day by my ſervant.

JOHN HAWKES *ſworn.*

I went with the boots and ſhoes to the priſoner's lodgings; he was at breakfaſt; I gave him the bill, and he would not pay me; and locked me in, and kept me above an hour; he threatened to kick me, and throw me out of the window; I ſent for a friend of my maſter's, and we found the priſoner getting over the wall with the boots on and the ſhoes in his pocket.

Mr. Garrow, Priſoner's Counſel. You went up into the room, and there were two women, and I think there was ſomething about a handkerchief being loſt, and the woman locked the door?—Yes.

HENRY CROCKER *ſworn.*

Confirmed the laſt witneſs.

(*Read* depoſes to the boots and ſhoes.)

WILLIAM DALLEY *ſworn.*

I have known the priſoner four years; he is a bookbinder by profeſſion, and bears a moſt excellent character.

MARY LADLER *ſworn.*

The young man brought them on the 16th of April; I told him he was not at home, but would be ſo by ten next morning; the ſhoemaker ſaid, try them on, Sir; then the priſoner aſked him if he had brought the bill; he produced the bill, and the

the prisoner said if you will wait till I have breakfasted, I will go with you to my master and pay you; the shoemaker then called the prisoner a swindling puppy, and several other names; then the prisoner said he would kick him; and the boy went down stairs and raised a mob about the door; I don't suppose he wanted to steal them, for I offered to pay for them if his father did not.

GUILTY.

Fined 1s. and imprisoned one month.

Tried by the first Middlesex Jury before Mr. COMMON SERJEANT.

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287. THOMAS BARTON was indicted for feloniously stealing, on the 27th day of April last, one jean waistcoat, value 6s. the goods of John Boyd; and one pair of breeches and a pair of stockings, value 3s. the goods of John Lewis.

JOHN BOYD *sworn.*

I am a servant to Mr. Stewart; the 27th of April I was up stairs with my master; coming down I saw Thomas Barton, I asked him who sent him there? he said a person sent him in (who was at the door) and told him to take what he could: I stopped him.

JOHN LEWIS *sworn.*

I heard a scuffle in the passage; and saw the things lying at my fellow-servant's feet.

—— FLETCHER *sworn.*

I am constable, and produce the property.

GUILTY.

Transported for seven years.

Tried by the London Jury before Mr. COMMON SERJEANT.

288. THOMAS YORKE was indicted for stealing, on the 5th of May, four pair of plated buckles, and one pair of black studded buckles, value 20s. the property of John Davies.

The prisoner pawned the buckles, which he had from the prosecutor to polish.

GUILTY.

Transported for seven years.

Tried by the London Jury before Mr. COMMON SERJEANT.

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289. JOHN WILKINS was indicted for stealing 30 pounds weight of veal, value 16s. the property of Eleanor Derose.

ELEANOR DEROSE *sworn.*

I am a market woman: on a Friday, about two months ago, I went to get a pennyworth of porter; and coming up to the watch-house, the constable had the veal in his custody.

PRISONER's DEFENCE.

Please you, my Lord, I found the veal.

GUILTY. (Aged 33.)

Tried by the London Jury before Mr. COMMON SERJEANT.

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290. JOHN POWER was indicted for stealing one pair of leather shoes, value 2s. on the 13th of April, the property of William Grove.

WILLIAM GROVE *sworn.*

I am a shoemaker; on the 13th of last April the prisoner came into my shop, and asked for a pair of shoes; I heard one drop in the shop, and immediately suspected him; again another dropped in the street, and I charged him with a constable: the one that fell in the street was near the other.

GUILTY, (Aged 37.)

Tried by the London Jury before Mr. COMMON SERJEANT.

291. SAMUEL GEORGE was indicted for feloniouſly ſtealing, on the 7th day of April, 2s. 6d. the monies of Cha. Charleſworth.

CHARLES CHARLESWORTH *ſworn.*

I am a haberdaſher; the priſoner was my ſhopman, and had been about five weeks; on the 7th of April laſt, about ſeven o'clock in the evening, I obſerved the priſoner giving change from the till; he appeared to conceal ſome money in his right hand; on turning from the till he put it into his coat pocket; I called him in a minute or two afterwards into a back room; I charged him with defrauding me, and inſiſted on ſeeing what he had put in his pocket, ſaying his coat pocket, he produced a ſhilling; I deſired him to give me an account of what he had in his waiſtcoat pocket; he took out 6s. 9d. I charged him with having taken it that day; he ſaid that he had not taken the whole of it, only 18d.

Priſoner. I leave it to my counſel.

Mr. Garrow called five reſpectable witneſſes, who all gave him an excellent character.

GUILTY. (Aged 22.)

Fined 1s. and impriſoned three months.

Recommended by the proſecutor, on account of his friends and good character.

Tried by the London Jury before Mr. RECORDER.

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292. GEORGE HAZARD was indicted for feloniouſly ſtealing, on the 2d of May, five ounces weight of ſilver, value 20s. the goods of Peter Bateman and Ann Bateman.

The indictment was opened by Mr. Marriot, the caſe by Mr. Knapp.

JOSEPH WEST *ſworn.*

I am ſervant to Meſſ. Bateman; I know the priſoner at the bar; on the 2d of May laſt, while I was up in the ſhop, I ſaw Mr. Hazard take ſome ſilver out of his ſkin, put it in ſome paper, and then into a box over his head; he turned the key; this was between the hours of eight and nine: after that I obſerved him take it from the box and put it into his pocket; it was wrapped up in paper: I looked into the ſkin, and finding it was gone I informed my maſter. After he left the ſhop there were three or four people left in the room. I don't know any thing more that paſſed that evening.

Mr. Garrow, priſoner's counſel. Do not the workmen's coats uſually hang up in the ſhop?—Yes; but this was in a bag.

PETER BATEMAN *ſworn.*

The priſoner worked for me on the 2d of May; on that day I received an information from Weſt.

THOMAS LEMON *ſworn.*

I am a conſtable; I worked for Mr. Bateman; I received ſome of Mr. Bateman's property (produces it); I took it out of the priſoner's hand, and he ſaid it was his maſter's property. (The ſilver opened and ſhewn to the profecutor.)

Profecutor. This is what we call filings, clippings, and cuttings.

GUILTY.

Fined 1s. and impriſoned 12 months.

The profecutor deſired the priſoner might be allowed to go as an Eaſt India ſoldier.

Tried by the firſt Middleſex Jury before Mr. RECORDER.

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293. CHARLES DARBY, SAM. COWARD, and WILLIAM HOY, were indicted for feloniouſly ſtealing, on the 12th day of May, two iron ſpades, value 2s. the goods of William Todd.

WILLIAM TODD *ſworn.*

A little after five o'clock, on Monday laſt, I miſſed two ſpades; I found them at the watch-houſe; they are here.

SAMUEL

SAMUEL PILKINGTON *ſworn.*

I was watching ſome gardens and I ſaw three young fellows come over ſome fields; I followed Darby and took this ſpade out of his hand; the other two were with him at the time; I told them they were doing that which was not right, and they ſhould go with me. Hoy had another ſpade on his ſhoulder, and the hammer Coward had. (The articles produced.) The priſoners ſaid they found them on the road.

JAMES LUTON *ſworn.*

I am a watchman on Stepney Green. I helped to ſecure them.

Darby. Did we make any reſiſtance?—No.

THOMAS TUFF *ſworn.*

I am a witneſs only to ſeeing the things the laſt witneſs has before deſcribed.

Proſecutor. The things were taken from my tool-houſe, in a garden in Mile End Road. The hammer and ſpades are marked H. T.

PRISONER DARBY's DEFENCE.

Pleaſe you, my lord, we found them in a ditch; we had been to Bow, and returning we found them. Pleaſe to let the jury examine them, to ſee if there is enough to ſwear (examined by the jury) to them, becauſe thoſe letters may anſwer the initials of other people's names.

Proſecutor. There is a notch in the edge of the ſpade that I can prove it by.

Coward called one witneſs, a captain, with whom he came from America, who gave him a good character.

CHARLES DARBY, (Aged 20.) WM. HOY, (Aged 19.) } GUILTY, *whipped.*

SAM. COWARD, (Aged 18.) } GUILTY, *Judgment reſpited.*

Tried by the London Jury before Mr. RECORDER.

294. JOHN JACKSON was indicted for feloniouſly ſtealing, on the 17th day of May, three linen ſhifts, value 6s. the goods of John Darby.

HONOR DARBY *ſworn.*

I am the wife of John Darby. We loſt the ſhifts on Thurſday laſt. My huſband keeps the Golden Anchor at Mile End; we hired the priſoner as a waiter for the day; the things were taken from the dining room. I found in the priſoner's coat pocket three ſhifts, unmade, and an old table cloth. I am ſure by the general appearance of the linen that it is mine. The priſoner ſaid the houſe waiter gave them to him.

WILLIAM WOLF *ſworn.*

I am a patrol of Mile End; on the night of the 17th, I took charge of the priſoner; the priſoner ſaid the waiter gave them to him. (Produces the property.)

PRISONER's DEFENCE.

I had worked hard all the day at this houſe, till 11 o'clock at night; I had perhaps taken a glaſs of wine too much, and was heavy and drowſy; I went to ſleep, and the houſe waiter and another there, thought I was going to get his place, and I verily believe that it was a deſigned thing of them; they put the things in my pocket; my character is very good; I have waited at all the reſpectable taverns in this metropolis.

GUILTY (Aged 45.)

Whipped and impriſoned one month.

Tried by the firſt Middleſex Jury before Mr. RECORDER.

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295. ELIZABETH MATTHEWS was indicted for feloniouſly ſtealing, on the 29th of March laſt, three cotton half ſhawls, value 5s. the goods of Anthony Dobbins, privately in his ſhop.

JOHN

JOHN RAILTON *ſworn.*

The priſoner came into Mr. Dobbin's ſhop, and aſked for ſome ſhawls; my miſtreſs and I ſhewed her ſome, but ſhe ſaid there were none ſhe liked. I turned round, and as ſhe moved her hands very quick, I ſuſpected ſhe had got ſomething, and I was reſolved I would ſee what ſhe had got; ſhe bid 2s. 4d. for a ſhawl which I offered at 2s. 9d. She ſaid ſhe wanted to go to the pawnbroker's; I ſuffered her to go to the door, and then I jumped over the counter and followed her, and ſhe dropped the ſhawls; I have had them ever ſince; they are my maſter's property; I am ſure they are his property by the mark.

PRISONER's DEFENCE.

I was going by the door and a young woman coming out in a hurry dropped ſomething. I never did ſuch a thing in my life; they took me before a juſtice and ſwore to me. I hope you will have mercy on me.

GUILTY, Stealing, not privately.

Tranſported for ſeven years.

Tried by the firſt Middleſex Jury before Mr. RECORDER.

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296. ALEXANDER MASSEY was indicted for feloniouſly ſtealing, on the 13th of May, one ſilver table ſpoon, value 5s. a pair of cotton hoſe, value 1s. a pair of ſhoes, value 2s. and a muſlin neckcloth, value 1s. the goods of Lewis George Dive, Eſq.

LEWIS GEORGE DIVE *ſworn.*

The priſoner has been my ſervant; I had diſcharged him on the 13th of this month; I knew nothing of the robbery till I was told by a ſervant of mine, that Maſſey was in cuſtody for offering a ſilver ſpoon. I attended at Bow-ſtreet, and was deſired to attend the following day, when I ſaw the things mentioned in the indictment.

JOHN BECK HEATHER *ſworn.*

On Monday the 14th of May, my lord, the priſoner at the bar brought this ſpoon to my ſhop to ſell; I aſked him how he came by it; he told me he bought it of a boy in the ſtreet. I took him into cuſtody.

Court. You did very right, Sir; I wiſh every pawnbroker would do the ſame.

——— MACKINTOSH *ſworn.*

I went to live as ſervant with Mr. Dive, on Saturday the 11th of May. My maſter gave me 19 ſpoons, and told me there would be another to make 20.

JOHN FURNEAUX *ſworn.*

I was ſent for to Mr. Heather's, on Monday the 13th of May, to ſearch the priſoner; I ſearched him and found theſe duplicates.

EDWARD SWAINE *ſworn.*

On the 9th of May, a perſon who called himſelf George Deane, and who I believe to be the priſoner, pawned a pair of ſhoes for 4s. (Produces the ſhoes) I gave him a dupiicate, which was found upon him. My maſter's name is Henry Turner.

THOMAS HINDES *ſworn.*

I am ſervant to a pawnbroker. I know the priſoner; he pawned a neckcloth on the 20th of March, for 1s. at our houſe, in the name of John Deane.

JOHN BARBER *ſworn.*

I am ſervant to a pawnbroker, Mary Minns; the priſoner pawned a pair of cotton hoſe and a neckcloth with me; (Produced.) I gave him two duplicates.

(*Mr. Dive* depoſes to the handle of the ſpoon, and to a muſlin neckcloth.)

Priſoner. My lord, I am a young man from the country, and have no friends come up. I leave myſelf to the mercy of the court.

GUILTY. (Aged 20.)

Tranſported for ſeven years.

Tried by the ſecond Middleſex Jury before Mr. RECORDER.

297. WILLIAM

297. WILLIAM RANDALL and JAMES LEMAN BAKER were indicted for burglariously and feloniously breaking and entering the dwelling house of Thomas Gibbons, about the hour of ten in the night, on the 8th of April last, and burglariously stealing therein a silver watch, value 30s. one pair of shoes, value 2s. two silver table spoons, value 16s. nine cotton gowns, value 9l. two gold wire ear-rings, value 2s. a pair of shoe and knee buckles, value 5s. and three guineas in monies, numbered, the property of Thomas Gibbons; seven gowns, value 3l. three black cloaks, value 2l. one red ditto, value 10s. nine silk handkerchiefs, value 18s. two tuckers, value 2s. one half guinea, and a Spanish dollar, value 4s. 6d. the property of Eliz. Gibbons; two silk gowns, value 20s. three cotton gowns, value 30s. a silver watch, value 30s. three linen shifts, value 10s. two black silk cloaks, value 20s. six guineas in monies, numbered, and a bank note, value 10l. the property of Jane Mole.

And MARY, wife of Paul Randall, and MARY RANDALL, spinster, were indicted for feloniously receiving part and parcel of the said goods, knowing them to have been stolen.

The case opened by Mr. Schoen.

THOMAS GIBBONS *sworn.*

I live at the Folly-House, Blackwall. About 10 o'clock, on Easter Sunday, I heard some people at my door; I unbolted it directly, and three or four men forced me down; I do not recollect who; when they knocked at the door first, they threw something over my head; I was afraid to look up or open my eyes, as they swore they would blow my brains out; they asked me what money I had in my pocket; I said about two guineas, or two and a half; they took my shoe and knee buckles; they asked me what money I had in the house; I told them I had three or four guineas in my bureau. I lost nine gowns, they were my deceased wife's, two pair of gold wire ear-rings, and several silk handkerchiefs; the silver watch and gold rings were mine; they took three or four guineas; they staid in the house between four and five hours. I was released at three in the morning.

JANE MOLE *sworn.*

The last witness is my son-in-law. On Easter Sunday I was sitting on one side the fire, and Body Spearman on the other; a man came up to the right hand of the fire and presented a pistol to his face; I got up and turned the pistol from his face; I was thrown down and my face covered; I could not for a minute or two recover my surprize; they took a 10l. note out of my housewife; I do not know the date, or number of the note; they confined me four hours and a half, while they were rummaging and supping. I lost five gowns, three shifts, and two black cloaks, and about six guineas, I cannot say how much; after they had taken what they pleased, they supped upon cold roast pork, and sucked 15 eggs.

CATHERINE GIBBONS *sworn.*

I am sister to the prosecutor. On Easter Sunday, at night, I was sitting in the bar, about 10 o'clock, some body came to the door, and my brother went to see who it was, and they said they wanted something to drink; two men came into the bar, one with a pistol, the other with a cutlass; the man with the cutlass desired me to lie down, or he would cut my head off; I laid down and he tied my head with a child's frock; after that they wrapped my head up in a blanket, and rifled my pockets; as soon as that was done, they began plundering the bar; I could hear but not see. I lost seven gowns, three black cloaks, and a red one, nine silk handkerchiefs, two tuckers, and some black lace, I don't know how much; a half guinea in gold, and a Spanish dollar; I suppose the whole together about 15l.

RICHARD WIGGINS *sworn.*

I am a servant to Gibbons. I had been out, and returned home about 11 o'clock; I knocked at the door, and somebody came to the door and asked who was there; I said it

is me, ſir, thinking it was my maſter; as ſoon as the door was opened, a man catched me by the collar, and told me to lay down; I did not lay down directly, and the crape fell off his face, and I ſaw a mole on his cheek; I looked round and ſaw a man with a candle in his hand, and a ſtick; I think Randall knocked me down; he was the man, I think, who was ſtanding behind the door, not him with the crape and mole; when they had knocked me down on my maſter, they fetched a table cloth and covered my head, hat, and all; before they went away they tied my hands behind me, and dragged me into the kitchen.

Priſoner Randall. Did not you ſwear to a man at Bow-ſtreet?—Yes.

(Elizabeth Payne called.)

Priſoner Baker. I hope, my Lord, you will examine that witneſs and character; ſhe has been convicted at this bar.

Court to Mr. Shelton. What was the crime for which ſhe was convicted?—Grand larceny, my Lord.

ELIZABETH PAYNE *ſworn.*

I lived in Mary Randall's houſe. She kept an oil ſhop. She lived in the ground floor under my room. I was at home on the night of Eaſter Suuday, to the beſt of my knowledge, about nine o'clock, I was coming down ſtairs with a lighted candle, then I ſaw five men go into Mrs. Randall's apartments; of which Leman Baker and Wm. Randall were two; Randall had then a blue jacket on; I was out about a quarter of an hour that night; I returned and Mrs. Randall's door was ſhut; I went to bed, and about three on Eaſter Monday morning, I was awaked by ſome men talking; I ſat upright in my bed, and the firſt word I heard one of them ſay, I could not tell which it was, that they had had a better ſupper that night than for ſome time; I knew William Randall's voice above the reſt; I have known him a long while; he was one of the company; Wm. Randall ſaid he had his ſkin full of liquor; ſome words paſſed I did not underſtand, but I heard one of them ſay they had had fine fun with the boy, and Mrs. Randall made anſwer and ſaid, it was a pity they had not cut off all their heads; then one of the men ſeemed to be very ſick in the yard; I opened my ſhutter and window ſoftly; I looked into the yard and ſaw it was Leman Baker; I looked at him two minutes; I ſaw his face very plain; there was a candle burning, but it was dawn of day then, or moon light; then they came into the back room, and ſome of them ſaid what have you done with the black cloaks; then ſomebody ſaid they had not them, and they began to wrangle; then ſomebody ſaid you have planted them (which I underſtood hid); and ſomebody ſaid let us count the gowns, and they counted one and twenty; my apartment is over the back room, and when they went into the fore room I could not hear what they ſaid; on Monday I went to a neighbour's houſe and ſtaid there all day, and in the evening I came home; as I was coming in I met five men coming out with ſome bundles, and a coach ſtanding on the cauſeway; theſe two men I ſaw, and knew them to be two of the five; they put the bundles into a coach, and got in and went away; on Tueſday morning, Polly Randall, the little girl at the bar, brought me up a ſcarlet cloak, bound with ſcarlet ribbons, and told me her mother deſired me to pawn it, and ſome ſilk handkerchiefs, which I refuſed; the girl left the cloak hanging at the back of my chair; ſhe came and told me ſhe had told her mother, and took the cloak and pawned it, and ſhe ſtaid a long time; her mother was very uneaſy, and aſked me to ſee and find her; ſhe ſaid ſhe was afraid ſomething had happened; I met the girl, ſhe ſhewed me a duplicate, but I did not look at it; about three in the afternoon, Polly Randall came to me to a neighbour's, where I was waſhing, and deſired me to come to her mother; I told her I would follow her in a few minutes; I did ſo in about three minutes, and I met Polly coming out of her mother's apartment with ſomething in her apron, and ſhe ran up my ſtairs, and told me to follow her, which I did

did, and when I came into my room, ſhe pulled a gown out of her apron, the ſame patten as this (pulling out a piece), with an old faſhioned plated back; Mrs. Mole gave me this piece; the girl ſaid her mother deſired me to pawn it; I told her I could not leave my work; I pointed this piece out as the pattern out of ſeveral; I put it into a cupboard, and it was in my room; I went down ſtairs then; early the next morning, the girl came up and deſired me to pawn a gown, I ſaid I was ſure that was too big for her mother, and aſked her where ſhe got it; upon this queſtion the girl ſeemed to be ſurprized, ſaid they were theirs, and told me if I would not tell her mother ſhe would tell me; I never ſaw the cloak or gown afterwards; this blue coat Polly Randall brought up into my apartment, and told me ſhe was afraid that her mother's apartment might be again ſearched.

Priſoner Baker. Were not you apprehended for this robbery?—No, I gave the information againſt them.

Did you ever ſay that you did not know Baker?—I ſaid I could not rightly ſay till I ſaw his face; he ſtooped down, and had a knife in his mouth, which he bit exceedingly; when I ſaw his face plain I ſwore to him; the woman priſoner told the juſtice that this coat belonged to Leman Baker; which Baker did tell me to ſell the coat and keep the money; I thought it improper to ſell the coat, and told Mrs. Randall of it, and ſhe ſaid it was Baker's coat, and he might do what he pleaſed with it. Mrs. Randall told me ſhe intended to be an evidence againſt the reſt of the men, and if I would be ſo kind as to go to her brother, and tell William Randall, ſhe meant to be an evidence, and if he would not be an evidence, ſhe would turn one againſt him, and hang them all; I told him, and he ſaid he would turn evidence, and that there were three of them in a houſe in Old-ſtreet Road; Leman Baker was one of them; but that he was afraid to have them taken that night, as they would turn evidence againſt him. Eliz. Bell came into the priſon.

What priſon?—New Priſon, where Randall was confined. She told Randall where thoſe three men were, and aſked what he was taken up for.

WILLIAM BATEMAN *ſworn.*

I am a ſeaman. On Eaſter Monday morning I was at Mr. Perry's houſe, No. 3, Limehouſe Cauſeway. I have lived with Mary Payne theſe four years. I was awoke before day-light, on Eaſter Monday, by a noiſe; I miſſed my bed-fellow; I found her up with the window open; I ſaid Bet, what are you doing here? ſhe made anſwer and ſaid, cannot you hear; I ſat up in my bed and heard a parcel of men wrangling about black cloaks; one ſaid they were certainly there, and another man ſaid they muſt be *planted*; then they counted the gowns, and they ſaid there were 21 gowns; after which they left that room and went forwards; I then left Payne at the window and fell a ſleep. On Saturday night following, Mrs. Randall and her daughter Elizabeth came into my room, and produced a piſtol, and deſired me to hide it; ſhe ſaid it was her brothers, and ſhe was afraid the officers would come and ſearch; on Tueſday following I came from work, and in my cupboard I ſaw a gown, I aſked Payne whoſe it was, ſhe told me it was Randall's, I ſaid to her, carry the gown down again, for it ſhall not be here; ſhe made anſwer and ſaid the woman is not at home; it remained in my room till Wedneſday morning; on Wedneſday morning Mary Randall, the young priſoner, came up and aſked Eliz. Payne to pledge it; I aſked her whoſe gown it was, and ſhe ſaid, if ſo be you will not tell my mother I will tell you; ſhe ſaid her uncle gave it to her mother, and that it came from the Folly-Houſe.

JOHN COOK *ſworn.*

I am a headborough. I had a warrant to ſearch Randall's houſe; ſhe was not at home; in the back room cupboard I found a black ſilk handkerchief; I ſearched further and found ſome duplicates; I found in the yard theſe two cutlaſſes, and a piſtol, covered over with mould; ten duplicates I found

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in the back room, and ſeven I found in a bird cage, covered with ſeed; one of the duplicates indicated ſix breadths of cotton, at Gardner's, a pawnbroker; I went directly and ſtopped the property; in the other ten duplicates there is nothing alluſive to this robbery.

Catherine Gibbons. This bit of cotton produced by Cook, is part of the trimming of a gown, and theſe two tuckers are my property; and this black ſilk handkerchief; I made them myſelf.

——— GARDNER *ſworn.*

I am a pawnbroker. Mary Randall pledged theſe ſix pieces of cotton (Produces the cotton) with me, and ſaid they were for her mother.

Jane Mole. This is a fore part of a petticoat of my deceaſed daughter's; this is a fore part of my own petticoat; and this is another fore part of a gown. I deſired my things might not be valued at more than half what they were worth.

CHARLES SALMON *ſworn.*

I produce two handkerchiefs.

Priſoner Baker. Does your Lordſhip appear to be ſatisfied that Elizabeth Payne was convicted in this court.

Court. Yes, and the act of parliament has ſtated a puniſhment equivalent to burning in the hand, which ſhe has endured, and which reſtores her competence as an evidence.

ELIZABETH BELL *ſworn.*

On Eaſter Sunday, about half an hour paſt eleven, Randall came out of Mr. Ruck's, and went home and had ſupper, and ſent for a pint of beer, and ſmoked his pipe by the fire, and went to bed; and he never got up till between ſix and ſeven the next morning.

Mr. Schoen. What night was this?—The Sunday night.

You live with him?—Yes.

On what day was it you went from the Pitt's Head with a meſſage to Randall?—I don't know the houſe.

PRISONER MARY RANDALL's DEFENCE.

I am a widow. This woman came to me on Eaſter Wedneſday, and brought a cloak, and begged that I would go and pawn it; I ſaid no, but the child might go; which ſhe did, and brought 10s. ſhe gave me the duplicate; ſhe ſaid that ſhe knew of a good *ſpeak*, and ſhe would row in it; my Lord, ſhe knows I am alone woman, and that this girl was the eldeſt of ſeven children that I had to work for; ſhe ſaid ſhe had plenty of *plants*; and ſhe knows there were a cutlaſs and an iron crow found up her chimney. I hope your Lordſhip will conſider my caſe.

WILLIAM RANDALL, } GUILTY,
JAMES LEMAN BAKER, } Death.
(Not of the burglary).

MARY, wife of Paul Randall, GUILTY.

Tranported for fourteen years.

MARY RANDALL, Spinſter, NOT GUILY.

Tried by the ſecond Middleſex Jury before Mr. Juſtice ASHURST.

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298. THOMAS GRAY was indicted for burglariouſly and feloniouſly breaking and entering the dwelling houſe of John Rice, at the hour of nine in the night, on the 9th of April laſt, and burglariouſly ſtealing therein, two ſheets, value 4s. a woollen blanket, value 3s. his property; a man's cloth great coat, value 2s. a man's cloth jacket, value 2s. a pair of breeches, value 3s. and a ſhirt, value 6d. the property of Joſeph Phillips.

SARAH RICE *ſworn.*

I am wife of John Rice. He is a houſe keeper. I only prove the property; it was very near nine in the evening when the things were loſt; I loſt a pair of ſheets, value 4s. a blanket, value 3s. the property of my huſband; I ſaw them that morning on the bed;

bed; a man's great coat, a jacket, a pair of velveteen breeches, and a ſhirt; they belonged to Joſeph Phillips, one of our journeymen; I do not know their value.

WILLIAM GOODALL *ſworn.*

I am a workman with the proſecutor. I came home about ten minutes before eight and faſtened the door: there were two keys; one the proſecutor had, and Phillips had the other; I borrowed one to let myſelf in, and kept it till near nine o'clock; I got the key of Mr. Rice's ſon.

CORNELIUS DONNEVAN *ſworn.*

I am one of the patrols of St. James's, Clerkenwell. I met the priſoner between eight and nine, on the 9th of April, with a bundle; I aſked him what he had; he ſaid they were things of his own; I aſked him where he was going with them; he ſaid he was going to St. Giles's; he ſaid he had a blanket, a pair of ſheets, a pair of breeches, and a jacket; but there were more things which he did not mention; I bid him come into the publick-houſe; he ſaid he would, but he ran away and left the bundle; he ſlipped down, and I took him; the bundle has been in my poſſeſſion ever ſince; the great coat was never found; I did not ſearch the priſoner.

(The things belonging to Mr. Rice produced, and depoſed to by Mrs. Rice, and the ſhirt, the property of Joſeph Phillips, which ſhe made.)

JOSEPH PHILLIPS *ſworn.*

(Depoſes to the jacket): I had it on at work all that day; I pulled it off at half paſt ſeven and hung it up on a turn-up bedſtead in the room where I ſleep. (Depoſes to the breeches.)

PRISONER's DEFENCE.

I picked up this bundle at a door at Iſlington.

The priſoner called two witneſſes, who gave him a good character.

GUILTY of ſtealing. (Aged 22.)

Tranſported for ſeven years.

Tried by the ſecond Middleſex Jury before Mr. Baron PERRYN.

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299. THOMAS GORTLEY was indicted, and the indictment charges, that David Ramſey, late of the pariſh of St. Giles in the Fields, ſurgeon, on the 30th of April laſt, was poſſeſſed of 2,300l. tranſferable ſhares of and in a certain capital ſtock eſtabliſhed by certain acts of parliament; and that the ſaid David Ramſey, on the ſaid 23d of April, was the true and real and lawful proprietor of the ſaid 2,300l. ſo eſtabliſhed as aforeſaid; and that the ſaid David Ramſey, in reſpect to the ſaid 2,300l. tranſferable ſhares, then and there, on the ſaid 23d of April, was entitled to the receipt of, and from the Governor and Company of the Bank of England, the ſaid money, at the rate of 3l. per 100l. by the year, which ſaid half-year's annuity became due on the 5th of April laſt; and that the priſoner well knowing the premiſes, and intending to deceive and defraud the ſaid Governor and Company of the Bank of England, did falſely, deceitfully, and feloniouſly, perſonate the ſaid David Ramſey, then and there being the true and real and lawful proprietor, and thereby did then and there feloniouſly endeavour to receive the ſum of 34l. 10s. the money of the ſaid David Ramſey, as if he was the true and lawful owner of the ſaid money.

There were four other Counts for the ſame offence, only varying the manner of charging it.

The indictment opened by *Mr. Garrow:* and the caſe by *Mr. Fielding*, as follows:

May it pleaſe your Lordſhip. Gentlemen of the Jury, I have the honour, with my friend, to addreſs myſelf to you in the employ

of the Governor and Company of the Bank of England. My learned friend has ſtated to you the nature of the charge, which is now brought forward againſt the priſoner; it is in ſhort this ſpecies of offence, namely, of aſſuming the name and character of a Mr. Ramſey, in order to receive, at the proper office for the payment of that ſort of money, a dividend upon ſtock, of which Mr. Ramſey was the proprietor; he, at the time he applied to the clerk of the Bank, ſaying, that he was the Mr. David Ramſey himſelf, and entitled to that ſtock. You will eaſily perceive that the crime imputed to the priſoner is a capital offence; and to Gentlemen of your deſcription, it would be unpardonable in me if I was to engroſs much of your time, or the time of the Court, in many obſervations on the utility, the conſequence, and the importance in that vaſt machine of publick credit, the Bank of England. Gentlemen, how infinitely it imports the publick, that every officer in that employ ſhould exert all poſſible vigilance to guard againſt the firſt approaches of fraud at that place, muſt ſtrike every body before ever ſuch object is mentioned. Gentlemen, the particular circumſtances of the preſent caſe lay within a very ſmall compaſs, and are ſuch as I am afraid will preclude the unhappy man at the bar from any poſſibility of defence; and the officers at the Bank exerting very proper induſtry on the occaſion, when this matter came to light, have done, as it highly became them to do, they have inquired into every circumſtance of this young man's life; we therefore have come at his parentage, and the ſituation he has been in; we have come to the means that he has been ſupplied for two years paſt; he has been in London, and has, the greateſt part of that time, lodged at the Bolt and Tun, in Fleet-ſtreet: at his father's deceaſe he was entitled to a ſum of money not amounting to 600l.; it was inveſted in the funds in the year 1790: ſo long ago as July 1791 every halfpenny of that property was ſold out; but, during the time it remained there, highly probable it is, that he had opportunities of viſiting the Bank and of knowing the procedure of that place; on the 23d of April, the young man at the bar applied to the Reduced Annuity office, for the purpoſe of receiving the dividend in queſtion —a Mr. Fearing is the clerk in that department; it was then about half paſt two o'clock when he made his application to Mr. Fearing, ſaying, that he wanted a dividend; Mr. Fearing looked at him, and aſked him his name; he immediately replied, that his name was David Ramſey; "What is the ſtock?" Mr. Fearing aſked, he then ſaid it was 2,300l. Mr. Fearing went on with other queſtions that were neceſſary, and aſked him what intereſt was due on the money; he anſwered without much heſitation, that there was a twelvemonth due; Mr. Fearing looking at the book, and ſeeing that there was ſome back dividend due, but not amounting to what he himſelf ſpecified, then aſked him, "Are you ſure you are right?" "Yes," ſays he, "I am ſure I am right; my name is David Ramſey."—"Is that your name," ſaid Mr. Fearing, "It is; and my ſtock is 2,300l.; but whether I am right or not in the intereſt that is due, I cannot be certain, becauſe I gave to my brother a power of attorney to receive for me." Mr. Fearing, upon this intimation, knowing extremely well that if any dividend had been received, on a power of attorney, that there would be means appearing on the book by which to know it; and ſeeing that there was no mention at all, or any entry regarding a power of attorney, he again interrogated the priſoner at the bar, whether he was ſure of the ſtock; he again then ſaid, "Yes, I am; my name is David Ramſey, of the navy, a ſurgeon." Mr. Fearing gave him the dividend warrant, the dividend book was open; he took the dividend warrant, he ſubſcribed to that dividend warrant the name of David Ramſey, and he ſubſcribed in the book likewiſe that name. Upon his mentioning that he was David Ramſey, a ſurgeon in the navy, ſuch circumſtances came out as brought forward a recollection, according to the beſt of Mr. Fearing's apprehenſion, of the perſon of a Mr. David Ramſey, a ſurgeon in the navy; he ſaid to him then, "Why, if I am not wrong, if I have any recollection

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of Mr. David Ramſey, the ſurgeon, he is a much older man than you;" upon which, with ſome alarm, but not with any very great degree of heſitation, he then ſaid, that Mr. David Ramſey was his father: now, Gentlemen, on this ſtate of the buſineſs let me call your attention for a moment; the act of Parliament which deſcribes this offence, and which, with all becoming care, the legiſlator has attempted to guard againſt every poſſible approach, and every ſtage of fraud that could be committed againſt the Bank of England; and has expreſsly noted this as a ſpecies of crime which was completed at the very moment that he ſaid to Mr. Fearing, that he was David Ramſey, when he was Thomas Gortley, that is the crime the act has ſpecified, namely, perſonating another with intent to defraud the Bank. Gentlemen, I need not take up much time in explaining the law, as it has been elucidated by a caſe that has gone before the Judges, becauſe my Lord knows the caſe: he had therefore completed the offence in every particle of it; he applied to the Bank clerk for the purpoſe, and therefore endeavoured to receive this dividend; and he aſſumed the name and deſcription of David Ramſey. Now then, Gentlemen, you are perfectly poſſeſſed of the nature of this offence, together with thoſe circumſtances that muſt ariſe in order to conſtitute the offence, namely, the application being made ſo as to manifeſt the endeavours to receive the dividend under a falſe and aſſumed repreſentation of another. Mr. Fearing, on his having mentioned that Mr. David Ramſey was his father, not at that moment alarmed about all the other circumſtances, which would, if he had had time to conſider of them, of courſe ſtruck a very conſiderable alarm in his mind; he then aſked him, if his father had made a will for, that if it was his father's ſtock he could not pay it then: the perſon ſaid to Mr. Fearing, "What degree of proof will be neceſſary for me to receive this?"—"You muſt produce your father's will,"—"My father's will is in the Commons; but I have a copy of it, and in ten minutes I will bring it." A Mr. Pleſtow, who had been preſent, aſked him who was the executor, he ſaid himſelf was the executor; and mentioned two other perſons who were executors in the father's will, and one Gentleman named Tozer. Gentlemen, you will find the name of Tozer will become infinitely material. At that time he went away without being interrupted at all by Mr. Fearing or Mr. Pleſtow; he never returned; the matter reſting then under all the circumſtances that I have juſt ſtated to you, Mr. Fearing thinking perhaps it probable that he ſhould return either on that day, or on ſome ſubſequent day, thought no more of the buſineſs; but a converſation happening between him and Mr. Pleſtow, which I am not at liberty to ſtate to you, all the circumſtances became ſtrongly poſſeſſed on their minds: this was the 23d of April; it was on Monday. On the Monday following, Mr. Fearing going from his department in the Bank into the 4 *per cent.* office, he there ſaw, and recognized, the priſoner at the bar; he looked at him, and he was ſure it was the man; he had not a ſort of doubt about it; he very prudently went to the office where Mr. Pleſtow was, and told him, and deſired him to go to look at the priſoner; as ſoon as ever he came into the office he ſaw him, he recognized him, he was ſure, Gentlemen; therefore, you ſee now that this evidence, which will be neceſſary to ſupport the charge here, will be evidence of perſon, what they call the evidence of identity. Now certain it is, that in many caſes that may be ſtated, the evidence of perſon, or identity, may appear to be ſo evaſive that it muſt, under the circumſtances of the caſe, be received with much heſitation; and men will ponder extremely before they will determine in many caſes of the evidences of identity; ſuch, for inſtance, as a man being robbed on the highway, who is certainly flurried, and his mind not perfectly cool, and not perfectly at eaſe; you always will indulge a probability in favour of an accuſed perſon, that there has been a miſtake; but if ever there was a caſe in the world where the evidence of identity muſt be ſtronger than any other,

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it is in the caſe that you have now before you. Mr. Fearing perfectly cool, without the leaſt degree of alarm on his mind, but a curioſity neceſſarily and naturally excited, having every opportunity of looking at the young man; Mr. Pleſtow with him, having the ſame opportunity, both being cool, nothing to diſturb or irritate the mind, the circumſtance making an impreſſion on the memory, ſo as to keep it alive for a week, when the opportunity aroſe again of confirming them in this manner; therefore, Gentlemen, with reſpect to the evidence of identity, thoſe two witneſſes, who can have no poſſible bias on their minds, but rather the contrary, muſt ſtand before you while you will ſearch moſt deliberately indeed every circumſtance with they aſſert, ſo that you may be enabled, and you will greedily graſp at, if you are enabled to ſuppoſe there was a miſtake; but if you are convinced that they are certain in their minds that that perſon is the priſoner at the bar, to be ſure then it will be your duty to be guided by that teſtimony. Gentlemen, ſoon after Mr. Pleſtow had ſeen him, he communicated it to the Accomptant of the Bank of England, the Accomptant went to him, and he was deſired to walk into his room, he did walk into his room, communication was immediately made to the Governor, who of courſe directed he ſhould be detained. He ſat in the room of the Accomptant for near three quarters of an hour without aſking any queſtion at all; what may be the infence reſulting from that, I will not attempt to anticipate, you will, I am ſure, according to the beſt of your knowledge in human nature, give it that interpretation which is fair, wiſhing at the ſame time to give it that interpretation that is merciful; but if in your examination of the human heart, you ſhould be convinced this is a circumſtance, which added to the others I have related, ſhall be a manifeſtation of guilt, of courſe you, in your duty to the publick, will receive it as ſuch. Gentlemen, ſoon after this he was taken to the office of Sir Sampſon Wright, there he went under an examination; Mr. Fearing and Mr. Pleſtow both told their ſtory; he told his, ſo far as he choſe to tell it; but at the time he made his application to Mr. Fearing at firſt, he was differently dreſſed to what he was on the following Monday; Mr. Fearing and Mr. Pleſtow, therefore, deſcribed that circumſtance: he had a black coat on, as he has now; he had an under waiſtcoat, which ſtruck them both to be the waiſtcoat that he had on when he made his firſt application; but in deſcribing his clothes he had on the firſt day, on the ſearch being made at his lodgings, thoſe clothes were found there. Mr. Pleſtow and Mr. Fearing had both of them remarked that on the 23d of April he had a ring on his finger of an octagon form; they deſcribed this circumſtance; at the time of his apprehenſion he had no ſuch ring on. In courſe of that activity which had been uſed by the officers of the Bank, we ſhall be able to lay before you, to-day, in evidence, that about that time the young man wore ſuch a ring as that: if the ring was not valuable it would not be difficult to account for its being found; however, when his lodgings were ſearched, many duplicates were found there: Gentlemen, nothing more material appears on the ſearch of his lodgings than what I have deſcribed; now then you ſee we are to revert to the evidence of this being the man that applied to the Bank; and it is deſired that you further bear in mind the name of Tozer: when Mr. Pleſtow joined his inquiries with Mr. Fearing, and aſked him who his father's executors were, he mentioned one, namely, a Mr. Tozer; when he was examined before Sir Sampſon Wright, he, in accounting for himſelf, and giving a deſcription of his parentage, and of what he became intitled to at his deceaſe, he himſelf ſaid, that Mr. Tozer was an executor of his father's will: now, Gentlemen, that circumſtance to be ſure, ſtrong as it is, if the evidence of Mr. Fearing and the evidence of Mr. Pleſtow were not to be decided and poſitive; but if they were merely to ſpeak to random belief, or that they rather believed that that was the perſon who made the application at the Bank; when teſtimony of that ſort is coupled

coupled with the two other circumſtances I have juſt ſtated, namely, the coincidence of the name of Tozer being the executor to his father, and the other of his wearing the ring I have mentioned; it appears to me that ſuch evidence muſt be irreſiſtible; but when, inſtead of that teſtimony, there ſhall appear the moſt clear, unequivocal, unheſitating evidence that that was the man that made his application; it ſeems that the only remaining evidence will be as to the nature of the tranſaction itſelf; when he applied to receive the dividend and perſonated the character of David Ramſey, ſaying, that he was David Ramſey; and going no further then would be neceſſary in order to complete the crime of giving the deſcription of a David Ramſey, of the navy; there the crime was finiſhed, that no act of his life could poſſibly do away; therefore, though I have ſtated to you what followed in this buſineſs, through all the ſubſequent circumſtances, they do not ſeem material ſo far as they regard the nature of the crime committed: you will perceive the whole of this tranſaction lays in a very ſmall compaſs, if Mr. Fearing and Mr. Pleſtow are not miſtaken, which they cannot be, undoubtedly this is the man that made this application there, and that application in every ſtage of it was completed, which the legiſlator intended to guard againſt: Gentlemen, I took the liberty of ſuggeſting to you before, that in many caſes where the queſtion of identity becomes a ſubject of a jury's inquiry, they will heſitate extremely; at the ſame time the only reliance that the publick have on the execution of the duty of a jury, is, that, to the beſt of their belief, taking all poſſible means to inveſtigate, then it becomes the duty of that happieſt tribunal in the world to declare the guilt; on the contrary, if they are not ſatisfied, we ſee the merciful inclination of their minds not at all treſpaſſing on the nature of their duty, but freely giving the weight of that doubt to the unhappy perſon that is before them: Gentlemen, on the preſent occaſion the Governor and Company of the Bank of England have done their duty to the publick; they, with a very becoming activity, have brought this priſoner to you, and ſubmitted his caſe to you; they can have no wiſh in the buſineſs; they are perfectly ſure that you will, as you muſt of courſe do, feel the extreme importance of the inquiry, at the ſame time, from this inquiry, you will not at all forget any one opportunity of ſhewing mercy; but ſure I am you will give that weight to the evidence which the evidence ought to receive; if you are convinced that the man is guilty of the crime imputed to him, it imports the publick moſt highly indeed that examples ſhould be made; on the contrary, if any reaſons ſhall appear either to doubt on the teſtimony, or in any ſhape to heſitate on giving that weight to it which I have mentioned in that caſe, and in that caſe alone I am ſure you will be glad to ſhew him mercy.

(The witneſſes examined ſeparate on both ſides.)

DAVID RAMSEY *ſworn.*

I live in Thornhaugh-ſtreet, Bedford-ſquare; I am a ſurgeon in the navy. On the 23d of April laſt I poſſeſſed 2,300*l.* reduced annuities, and was entitled to the dividend due on the 21ſt of April, which I had not received then; I have received it ſince: I do not know the priſoner; I never deſired or authorized him to receive it for me.

JOSEPH FEARING *ſworn.*

I am a clerk in the Bank, in the reduced office. On the 23d of April, Mr. David Ramſey appears entitled by the books to 2,300*l.* reduced Bank annuities, and 10¾ at paſt dividends, 34*l.* 10*s.* which he had not received.

Be ſo good, Sir, to look at the priſoner; did you ever ſee him before?—I have: on the 23d of April a perſon came and demanded a dividend in the name of David Ramſey; about half paſt two o'clock the perſon came up to the book and aſked for a dividend in the name of David Ramſey, I aſked him how much the ſtock was; he

aid 2,300*l.*; turning to the book, I found there was more than the laſt half year due, and I aſked the perſon if he knew how much nett there was due, he anſwered a twelvemonth; I aſked him if he was ſure he was right; he ſaid he could not rightly tell, for he had been out of England, and he had given a power of attorney to his brother to receive the intereſt for him; I then turned to the ledger, and no power whatever was marked on the ledger, as it would have done; I then told the perſon no ſuch power appeared.

Mr. Garrow. You have uſed the expreſſion of the perſon; look at the priſoner and tell us whether he is the perſon?—I have ſaid the perſon; when I look at the priſoner I verily believe he was the perſon: he ſaid he could not anſwer for that, but that his brother had remitted him money at different times; I then aſked him to tell me the deſcription in which he ſtood in our books; he told me, David Ramſey, of the navy, ſurgeon; I then, turning to the alphabet, and ſeeing the deſcription agree, I recollected ſomething of Mr. Ramſey's perſon; I then aſked him again to repeat his name, and directed the queſtion again, "is your name David Ramſey, and what is your ſtock?" he ſaid his name was David Ramſey and his ſtock was 2,300*l.*; I told him, if I recollected David Ramſey, that he was a ſtout elderly gentleman; he ſaid that was his father; I then aſked him how he could think of coming to receive his father's property, and where his father was; he had then ſigned the book in each of the two places, and had ſigned the receipt of each of the dividend warrants.

What do you call thoſe books?—Dividend books.

Do you recollect in what particular ſtate of the converſation he ſigned theſe warrants?—As ſoon as he ſaid his name was Ramſey, and I looked at the name, I turned the book to him, and he ſigned it; I then aſked him, ſeeing there was a reference to the ſecond dividend, what dividend was due; I turned round to him a ſecond time, and when there was more due than what he claimed, I then began to queſtion him more particularly.

Was there more due than the two?—Yes, there was: on his ſigning the ſecond book I began to doubt more, and of courſe to queſtion him more.

Certainly; that led to theſe particular queſtions?—His anſwer was that his father was dead; I aſked him who were his father's executors; he mentioned three names; I do not recollect any of them; we then told him he had no right to receive it; he then ſaid he had an authority, becauſe he was an executor; I then took up the warrants, and told him I could not pay him, as David Ramſey did not appear to be dead; he aſked me what proof was wanted; I told him if his father had left a will to let us have it; he ſaid the will was in the Commons, and that he had a copy of it at home, which he would fetch in ten minutes time; he went away, promiſing to return with the copy of the will; but I ſaw no more of him that day; this was Monday, the 23d of April: I ſaw nothing of him till the Monday following; on that day, between twelve and one, I was going into the 5 *per cent.* office, I there ſaw the priſoner, and it ſtruck me ſo forcibly that he was ſo much like the perſon that demanded the dividend of me, that I went and called Mr. Pleſtow; and we were both of opinion that he was ſo much like the perſon, that we thought it proper to acquaint our Accomptant General.

Did you at that time, or did you not, verily believe he was the perſon?—I did.

Was he dreſſed then as he was before?—No; he was not.

There was a conſiderable difference in the dreſs?—Yes; there was. I informed the Accomptant General, and he came to him; he was deſired to walk into his apartment; and he was there examined, and was removed from there to Sir Sampſon Wright's.

Was any thing explained to him for walking in there, or was he merely deſired to

to walk in?—He was merely desired to walk in; he was in there three quarters of an hour.

He went in of course?—Yes.

Now, Sir, I believe, after he had been at Bow-street, the search was made at his lodging?—Yes; I was present: we found the coat and a waistcoat, as near as I can recollect, the same pattern as the prisoner came in to demand the dividend the 23d of April.

What coloured coat and waistcoat were they?—A dark brown coat, and a red waistcoat, with spots.

How was the prisoner dressed when he was apprehended?—In a very genteel manner; in a black coat and waistcoat, and leather breeches, and boots and spurs, and a whip in his hand; his hair was full dressed, and he had a round hat on; he had a very handsome octagon ring on his finger; it was a large ring, and reached from the nuckle; on the 23d of April he had a large cravat on, and the edges of it laced; there were such cravats found at the lodgings; there was an under waistcoat which I observed to correspond with that which he had on the 23d; it was a striped waistcoat, such an one as he has on now.

With this impression that the prisoner was so like the person that had been to you, did it appear to you to be the same person?—Upon seeing his face I saw every feature that I had seen in the other; it struck me very forcibly at that time; I wished to be satisfied lest I should make a mistake when I went to call Mr. Plestow.

Did you at that time or not entertain any doubt whether he was the person?—I was fearful that I should apprehend a wrong person.

That is no answer to my question: did you entertain any doubt or not?—Yes; I did.

Have you examined to see whether the prisoner had any dividend to receive on the 30th, or any account of the Bank?—Yes.

Had he any?—None at all.

The books of the Bank are perfectly silent as to any business he might have there on his own account?—Yes, they are.

Mr. Knowlys, prisoner's counsel. The person that you questioned could hardly forbear observing your suspicions?—No; I think he must.

Mr. Plestow was not so near him as you?—Not till I began to question him.

I believe your expression has always been that you verily believe; you never went further?—I verily believe the prisoner is the man.

You never went further than that?—No, Sir.

What time was it that the person appeared there on the 23d of April?—It was from half past two till within ten minutes of three.

You found the prisoner on the 30th of April standing in the Bank?—Yes; I did.

On your return you found him exactly in the same situation?—Yes; we did.

Did you walk round the prisoner?—We walked round the fire place; he stood at the fire; we looked at him two or three times; he remained in the same situation; he looked as if he was waiting for somebody.

What time might pass from the time you first saw him to the time you fetched Mr. Edwards to lay hold of him?—Ten minutes.

Court. At the time this conversation all passed, and you was handing the first book, and then the second, and then the two warrants, had you such an opportunity as that you could observe, and did you observe his person?—I saw him then: I observed his person perfectly well; and I observed the person of the prisoner when I saw him the Monday following, and it so convinced my mind that I was not willing to be mistaken.

Then what you did was out of caution, not having any doubt in your mind; do I understand you right?—I swear to the best of my knowledge that the prisoner is the man.

WILLIAM

WILLIAM PLESTOW *ſworn.*

Mr. Fielding. On the 23d of April you was in the Reduced Annuity office?—I was.

Look at the priſoner?—I do.

Do you know him?—I take it to be the perſon that applied to our office on the 23d of April; on the 23d of April, about half after in two in the afternoon, paſſing by the diviſion letter R. where Mr. Fearing was; I was deſired by him to ſtop; I went to him.

Did you ſee the priſoner with Mr. Fearing at that time?—They were converſing together; I immediately referred back to the dividend, and found that the dividend differed materially; I heard Mr. Fearing aſk him what profeſſion he was; he ſaid he was a ſurgeon in the navy.

Did you obſerve his countenance ſo as to know him again?—I did.

What was he dreſſed in?—A brown coat, with a ſcarlet fancy waiſtcoat, ſpotted; while Mr. Fearing was looking at the book I aſked him how he became poſſeſſed of the ſtock; he ſaid it was his father's; I immediately replied, what right had he to it if it was his father's; his anſwer was, that his father was dead, and had left it to him; I then aſked him who were the executors; two he mentioned that I cannot recollect; but I perfectly recollect the name of Tozer as one that he mentioned; he had a long octagon ring on his finger; I then told him, that, allowing it to be as he ſaid, he had no right to receive it, as not being an executor; he then ſaid that he was an executor alſo; I told him if that was the caſe it altered the property, but then we muſt have the will; he ſaid the will was in the Commons, but he had a copy, which was at home, and he would fetch it in ten minutes; when he went out of the office I believe it wanted ten minutes of three.

Had you an opportunity during all that time, which your curioſity or ſuſpicion excited, to notice his perſon ſo as to know him again?—I beg your pardon; I had no ſuſpicion, or elſe I ſhould have ſtopped him then.

Very well. But had you an opportunity of noticing him?—I had: he did not return: on the Monday following, the 30th, Mr. Fearing came into the office, appearing very much agitated; he deſired that I would go into the 5 *per cent.* office, that he believed the perſon was there who perſonated Mr. Ramſey the Monday before; I deſired him to ſtop, I would go by myſelf; I ſaw the priſoner dreſſed as he is now, different to what he had been the Monday before, and his under waiſtcoat the ſame as that he has on; I knew him directly.

Now look again; have you any doubt?—No more, Sir, than that of one man's being out of ſight of another.

You have every reaſon then in the world to believe him to be the man?—I have every reaſon to believe he is, except the circumſtance of a perſon once being turned out of ſight of a naked eye?—He was brought into the Accomptant's apartments; he ſtayed three quarters of an hour; he aſked me no queſtions; I attended at Sir Sampſon Wright's; I went to his lodgings afterwards to make the ſearch.

Were there any clothes found there correſponding with thoſe the priſoner had on the 23d of April?—I think the ſame dreſs that the perſon that was at the Bank the Monday before had on; I beg leave to mention that the ſecond time of going to his apartments we found a waiſtcoat of the ſame pattern; we found ſeveral duplicates and memorandums of various things; the numbers, dates, and ſums of many bank notes.

Had he any ring on when he was apprehended?—No; he had not: the priſoner ſaid he had a ring, and was ſure he left it there; he acknowledged to wear a ring exactly ſimilar to that I deſcribed; we went and found no ring; theſe papers of dates and numbers of Bank notes were found in his box.

Looking at the priſoner again, have you any doubt that he is the man?—I believe him to be the ſame perſon to the beſt of my recollection and knowledge.

Have you any doubt?—No further than I before mentioned: when he was preſent at

at Sir Sampſon's he mentioned that a Mr. Tozer was his guardian.

He anſwered to the name of Gortley at the juſtice's?—He did.

Mr. Knowlys. Your attention was certainly not drawn to this perſon till you was called by Mr. Fearing?—It was not.

Court. Are you ſure that he ſaid that a man of the name of Tozer was his guardian, and executor to his real father; did he mention that at Sir Sampſon Wright's when he paſſed by the name of Gortley?—He did; he ſaid he was a truſtee to him under the name of Gortley.

He mentioned in fact the name of Tozer as the perſon with whom he was connected?—He did.

THOMAS CARPMEAL *ſworn.*

I am one of the officers of Bow-ſtreet. Mr. Carter, the maſter of the Bolt and Tun inn, ſhewed me a room which he ſaid was his; the priſoner directed me there; this coat and waiſtcoat I brought away. (A brown coat and ſcarlet ſpotted waiſtcoat produced.)

Pleſtow. This is the coat; there were two ſuch waiſtcoats.

Mr. Knowlys. Whether the room in which theſe clothes were was the priſoner's, you only know from Mr. Carter?—No.

Mr. Garrow. Did you ſhew the priſoner the clothes?—Yes.

What did he ſay to them?—He ſaid they were his clothes; he then ſaid he had a ring at the top of the bureau, and I went to look for it.

WILLIAM EDWARDS, Eſq. *ſworn.*

I am Accomptant at the Bank. I went into the *5 per cent.* office on Monday, the 30th of April, in conſequence of ſome communications from Mr. Fearing and Pleſtow; Pleſtow pointed out the priſoner to me; I went up to the priſoner, and addreſſed him by ſaying that I had the honour of being the Accomptant General of the Bank, and I would be glad to ſpeak to him in my office; he ſaid "yes, Sir," and followed me; when I came into the office I deſired him to ſit down; he did ſo; I ſaid to him, "you came here, Sir, I preſume, to buy ſtock;" he ſaid, "yes, Sir,;" I then aſked him permiſſion to give me his name; he ſaid his name was Thomas Gortley, but, in point of a diſpute he had at Bath, in which they told him his name was more like a horſe than a man, he had aſſumed the name of Godfrey; I then aſked him who was his broker; he ſaid Mr. Chapman; upon which I went to the door and ſent for Mr. Chapman; he came ſhortly; and the moment he entered the room he recognized Gortley, and aſked him how he did, and Gortley returned the compliment.

Mr. Garrow. Pray did he at all aſk for an explanation of this moſt extraordinary converſation?—Not a ſyllable; he never aſked any.

You felt yourſelf doing ſomething that, ordinarily ſpeaking, is pretty impertinent?—I felt myſelf in an extraordinary ſituation, to be ſure.

How long might you be in this ſituation?—I believe he was with me near three quarters of an hour; then I was deſired to produce him to the gentlemen in the direction; there he was interrogated, and taken to Bow-ſtreet; I was preſent at the examination; I remember Mr. Pleſtow being very particular deſcribing a long octagon ring; indeed, ſays he, it was ſo large, it was almoſt like a ſhield; the priſoner acknowledged that he wore a ring; but I think he did not ſeem to intimate that it was ſo large as deſcribed; I think he ſaid it was in a little box at his apartments at the Bolt and Tun.

Mr. Knowlys. Then upon their mentioning a ring to him, he referred them to the ring at his lodgings, implying, as you thought, that it would not anſwer that deſcription?—Yes.

He did not hide his real name?—Not the leaſt.

And you found that the account he gave you of his being acquainted with a broker of the name of Chapman likewiſe turned out to be true?—Certainly.

He never attempted to run away?—No.

——— WILLIAMS *ſworn.*

I am a clerk in the Bank.

Mr. Garrow. On the 28th of February did you iſſue from the Bank, a 50*l.* Bank note, 18th of Feb. 1792, No. 3545?—Yes.

A 25*l.* Bank note, the 10th of Feb. 1792, No. 4196?—Yes.

A 25*l.* Bank note, the 10th of Feb. 1792, No. 4195?—Yes.

Theſe notes were all iſſued by you?—Yes.

Were they all new notes?—We had them from the caſhier.

They were all iſſued in one payment, to one perſon?—Yes.

In payment of one dividend?—Yes, two warrants to one perſon.

Court to Priſoner. You have heard the charge that has been made againſt you, and the evidence which has been produced to prove that charge, would you wiſh to ſay any thing yourſelf, or leave it to your counſel?

Priſoner. I ſhould like to leave it to my counſel partly.

Court. Your counſel cannot make a ſpeech for you, he can ſtate no fact to the jury, all he can do is to examine thoſe witneſſes which you have inſtructed him in your brief will be of ſervice to you in your trial; if therefore you wiſh to ſay any thing, now is your time.

Priſoner. My Lord, I can bring my witneſſes to prove that I was at the Bolt and Tun inn, from two o'clock till a quarter before three.

UDNEY CARTER *ſworn.*

Mr. Knowlys. I believe you keep the Bolt and Tun inn, in Fleet-ſtreet?—Yes.

Do you know the priſoner at the bar?—I have known him to have been at my houſe ſome time paſt as a lodger.

How long?—About 14 or 15 months, backwards and forwards.

I believe you attended at Bow-ſtreet on the day the priſoner was brought up?—Yes.

Can you tell us whether you have any recollection where the priſoner was on the Monday preceding that time?—On the Monday preceding, I ſaw him in my houſe, between twelve and one o'clock, and about two, or after; then between three and half an hour after.

When you ſay that you ſaw him at your houſe about two, how long did he continue there at the time you got ſight of him about two?—I really cannot ſay, he was then in the parlour eating ſome cold roaſt beef for a luncheon.

What time was he eating his luncheon? can you ſpeak to any certain time which he remained there?—No, I cannot ſay that I can; the only thing that I took notice of was, that a Mr. Evett in the houſe took particular notice of his eating a luncheon ſo near dinner time; he generally dined about three. Mr. Evett was obliged to go down to Weybridge laſt night.

What part of the houſe was he in at that time?—In a parlour juſt behind the coffee-room.

Where was your ſituation at that time?—I was then in the parlour with Mr. Evett, when he came in and aſked for ſome cold roaſt beef for a luncheon.

Are you able to ſay any extent of time which the priſoner ſtaid there?—No, Sir, I cannot; buſineſs calling me backwards and forwards, I cannot.

You have known him 14 or 15 months?—Yes, I never ſaw any thing by him in my houſe, I never ſaw any body viſit him there.

So far as his dealings have been with you has he behaved honeſtly or otherwiſe?—Perfectly honeſt and very ſober, I never ſaw him any way otherwiſe

Mr. Garrow. Very ſober and paid his tavern bill. You do not mean to repreſent him as having paſſed all theſe months at your houſe, nor any thing like it?—No, Sir, not all the time.

He has been lately at Bath?—Yes.

Did you learn from him who he was?—I underſtood he was the ſon of Sir Andrew Godfrey. I recollect his telling this Mr. Evett and myſelf that he had brought up ſome money with him, to the amount of about 7000*l.*

Had you ſeen any of the duplicates that were found?—No, not till they were found by the officer; he returned in March; he told

told us that his father lived at New Place, near Exeter.

Did you ever hear of his having changed his name on account of its being too much like the name of a horſe, or any thing of that ſort?—Never, Sir, till it was mentioned at Sir Sampſon Wright's; I recollect that between twelve and one, he had his great coat on, with a handkerchief round his neck, and he ſat down to dinner with this handkerchief round his neck, which was very unuſual for him to do.

That was after three?—Yes, it might be about 20 minutes, or nearly half an hour.

What was the reſt of his dreſs?—I really cannot recollect.

Was it his brown coat and his red waiſtcoat?—I cannot ſay.

Do you know where the black clothes were made?—I do not know.

Were they made before or after that Monday that he had his luncheon?—I cannot ſay.

When were the new boots and leather breeches bought?—I cannot ſay.

Did he uſe to wear a ring?—He uſed to wear a ring ſometimes.

What ſort of one?—Rather a large one, of the octagon ſhape.

Had he that ring on of the Monday?—I really cannot recollect.

Upon your oath cannot you recollect that he had that ring on at dinner?—I really cannot ſay; ſometimes I have ſeen him with it, and ſometimes without it.

You do not know what is become of it?—No, I do not.

Did he uſe to wear ſuch clothes as a red waiſtcoat and a brown coat?—Yes, and ſometimes a green coat.

Then, except the black, we have the whole wardrobe here?—There is another black coat I believe.

Did you underſtand from him whether Sir Andrew Godfrey, his father, was living at New Place?—Yes.

Was you at Bow-ſtreet when he was examined?—Yes.

Did not you hear him ſay there that his father was a ſhoe-maker, and was dead, and had left him ſome little property?—No.

Do you remember his ſaying any thing about his father in Bow-ſtreet?—No.

If I underſtand you right, you cannot undertake to prove how this man had diſpoſed of himſelf from a little after two, when he was eating his luncheon, and almoſt half paſt three, when he ſat down to dinner?—No.

The priſoner called ſeven reſpectable witneſſes, who had known him above two years, and gave him an excellent character.

GUILTY, Death. (Aged 28.)

Tried by the London Jury before Mr. COMMON SERJEANT.

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300. CONRAD HARRY was indicted for ſtealing, on the 11th of May, one wooden box for a wig, covered with hair, value 6d. one clothe's bruſh, value 6d. the property of William Hamilton, 24 printed books, value 12s. and two other books value, 2s. the property of Stanley Crowther.

STANLEY CROWTHER *ſworn.*

I loſt the books in the indictment out of a one pair of ſtairs room adjoining to Mr. Hamilton's houſe, which has a communication with mine; I ſaw them at Mr. Hamilton's in the trunk, when the conſtable opened it, on the Friday after; the priſoner was ſervant to Mr. Hamilton—ſeveral of the children's names were in the printed bound books, the two parchment covered books were writing books, and a line of my own writing in one of them; the things were in the poſſeſſion of the conſtable, James Holmes.

JAMES DEAN *ſworn.*

On Friday the 11th of May, while the priſoner was under examination, he ſaid he had an empty box, at a publick houſe, in Goodman's-fields; he gave me the key; I went with Mr. Crowther and opened the box, and found theſe 15 books.

Court to Mr. Crowther. Are thoſe books that were found in Goodman's-fields, included in the indictment?—Yes, they are mine. (Depoſed to.)

JAMES

JAMES HOLMES *ſworn.*

I am a conſtable; I was at Mr. Hamilton's on Friday the 11th of May; Mr. Hamilton opened a box in which there was a parcel of books. (Depoſed to.)

WILLIAM HAMILTON *ſworn.*

I was preſent at the opening this box at my houſe, it belonged to my ſervant, the priſoner, I have ſeen it frequently and know it to be his.

Priſoner. I leave it to my counſel.

The priſoner called four witneſſes, who gave him a good character.

GUILTY.

Tranſported for ſeven years.

Tried by the London Jury before Mr. RECORDER.

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301. JAMES FLINN was indicted for ſtealing divers carpenters' tools, value 16s. 6d. the property of Howard Brown, and others.

The priſoner was found with the tools.

GUILTY.

Fined 1s. *and impriſoned ſix months.*

Tried by the London Jury before Mr. RECORDER.

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302. JOHN RUFF and JOHN SCRUTON were indicted for ſtealing, on the 5th of April laſt, one ſilk handkerchief, value 2s. 6d. the property of Ellis Shipley Lobb.

ELLIS SHIPLEY LOBB *ſworn.*

My pocket was picked, on Thurſday, in Grace Church Street, about eleven o'clock; I was informed of it; I turned round and ſaw my handkerchief in Ruff's hands, and followed him (I gave no alarm) and ſaw him give it to Scruton; I took them to a conſtable, and from thence to Guildhall; the conſtable has the handkerchief.

JOHN WADE *ſworn.*

I produce the handkerchief; I received it from this Gentleman, the proſecutor. (Proſecutor depoſes to the handkerchief.)

The priſoners in their defence ſaid that Ruff had picked it up, and that too by accident; and the other (Scruton) ſaid he was a ſailor, and that ſeeing the boy Ruff pick up the handkerchief he cried out, halves.

BOTH GUILTY.

Tranſported for ſeven years.

Tried by the London Jury before Mr. RECORDER.

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303. DANIEL ROSS was indicted for ſtealing, on the 6th of April laſt, one pair of ſtriped breeches, value 3s. and divers other things, value 30s. the property of William Lloyd and Samuel Lloyd.

(The witneſſes examined ſeparate.)

WILLIAM LLOYD *ſworn.*

I am in partnerſhip with Samuel Lloyd; the priſoner has been in our employ between three and four months; on the 6th of April we were informed that theſe goods were at his lodgings; on which information I went and examined, and found them to be our property; there were twenty waiſtcoats and two pair of breeches, a pair of laſting breeches; one pair of nankeen, nine flannel waiſtcoats, one linnen ditto, one muſlinet ditto, one quilted ditto, one jeannet, one India ſtripe, one kerſeymere, one cloth, one boy's ſattinet, one boy's ſaggity. The value of them is 11l. 19s.; they are in poſſeſſion of the conſtable.

Court. did you ever find any decreaſe in your ſtock?—It is too numerous.

——— PRATT *ſworn.*

The priſoner lodged with me; I went into his room on the 6th of April without any deſign; I ſaw ſome waiſtcoats lying careleſsly; two or three I obſerved had been worn; it ſtruck me that he had not come by them

them honeſtly, as he worked for one of thoſe ſhops; on looking about I ſaw a bag, and obſerved a number of articles of that ſort; I went (conſidering it my duty) to Mr. Lloyd, and deſired him to come and examine thoſe things; he did ſo, and found they were his: I went to Meſſrs. Lloyds houſe, where the priſoner was at work, they gave charge of him, and I took him to the Compter, there he confeſſed it: he was not promiſed any thing to induce him to confeſs.

It appeared on the examination, that the evidence has been a conſtable ſeven years, and that he had not been compelled, but did it for the ſake of the profits of ſituation attendant upon *general* conſtables.

Called two witneſſes, who gave him a very good character.

GUILTY, (Aged 34.)

Fined 1s. *and impriſoned ſix months.*

Recommended to mercy by the proſecutor.

Tried by the London Jury before Mr. Juſtice ASHURST.

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304. THOMAS SPARKES and HANNAH NASH were indicted for ſtealing, on the 11th day of April laſt, a linen ſheet, value 7s. the goods of Elizabeth Cartwright.

WILLIAM DAWSON *ſworn.*

I live in Tottenham Court Road; I know Elizabeth Cartwright; on the 11th of April my wife hung out all the clothes ſhe had to dry, and when ſhe came to take them in, ſhe miſſed one of the ſheets; ſhe came up, and told me of it, and I went to the pawnbroker's; I found it next day at a pawnbroker's in Oxford Street; the pawnbroker produced a ſheet to me, which I told him I thought was the ſheet; that it was marked in the corner E. C. with the figure of 2 under it: on examining it, I found part of the letters picked out; the pawnbroker informed me the woman who pawned it came frequently, and I deſired he would let me know as ſoon as ſhe came; I was ſent for in leſs than an hour, and found the woman in the parlour; ſhe ſaid ſhe did not ſteal it, ſhe had it of one Parker to pawn. I went to Litchfield Street and brought a conſtable; I ſearched after the man priſoner and found him, and brought them both to Litchfield Street.

ANN DAWSON *ſworn.*

I can only ſay I miſſed the ſheet.

The PAWNBROKER *ſworn.*

I received this ſheet of the priſoner at the bar: (produces it) the man confeſſed it before Sir Laurence Cox.

THOMAS SPARKES, GUILTY.

Fined 1s. *and impriſoned ſix months.*

HANNAH NASH, NOT GUILTY.

Tried by the ſecond Middleſex Jury before Mr. Juſtice ASHURST.

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305. ISAAC WILLIAMS was indicted for feloniouſly aſſaulting Thomas Simpſon on the king's highway on the 15th of May, and putting him in fear, and taking one hat, value 4s. his property.

THOMAS SIMPSON *ſworn.*

I am a bookbinder in Featherſtone Street; on the 15th of May, about half paſt one in the morning, Tueſday, in Chiſwell Street, Moorfields, I was going towards home and three men attacked me; two men came before me, and the priſoner at the bar on one ſide; the two men before put their fiſts in my face: I ſtarted back, and the priſoner ſnatched up my hat. I knocked up his heels, and the other two ran away; they all came up to me at one time: as ſoon as he found himſelf ſecured, he throwed it away, and I called watch! I never ſaw the others after; I did not pick up the hat.

JOHN COPPEY *ſworn.*

I am a poulterer, I heard watch called

ſeveral times, and I ran up and ſaw the proſecutor and priſoner on the ground; the proſecutor called for his hat; the proſecutor told me the priſoner had come behind him and took his hat, and that two others had ran their fiſts in his face.

Priſoner. The gentleman was exceedingly in liquor.

Proſecutor. I was perfectly ſober; I have not been intoxicated in liquor theſe ſeven years.

Priſoner. Pleaſe you, my Lord, I had been drinking with my ſhopmates, and coming along Chiſwell Street, I ſaw two men wrangling, I ran up, and I believe I ran againſt this gentleman, both our hats might fall of together for all I know; then he gave charge of me to the patrol, who took up both the hats and offered him his choice.

GUILTY *of ſtealing, not violently.*

Whipped and impriſoned ſix months.

Tried by the ſecond Middleſex Jury before Mr. RECORDER.

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306. ANN PENN alias UNDERWOOD, and FRANCES GOULD alias DAVENPORT, were indicted for ſtealing, on the 14th of May, one pair of linen ſheets, value 10s. and various other articles, the goods of John Hughes.

JOHN HUGHES *ſworn.*

I lodge in Petticoat-lane; I loſt the things mentioned in the indictment on the 14th of this month, about eight o'clock in the evening; the priſoner lived oppoſite, they came in at the yard door that is backwards, which was unlocked; my room is on the ground floor; we have found the quilt and a black ſilk cloak. I ſaw them before Juſtice Staples on the day on which they were ſtolen.

SUSANNAH HUGHES *ſworn.*

I went out about half paſt four, I returned about a quarter after ſix, and found the trap-door open, the other door was upon the latch; I looked about, and miſſed all the articles in the indictment: on ſearching ſome tea was found, and the priſoner Gould told the Juſtice there were four candles of Mrs. Hughes's in her room.

JOHN REEVES *ſworn.*

I found the black ſilk cloak at Mr. Pollard's; the priſoner had not been taken from the office; I kept it in my cuſtody and have had it ever ſince; the next morning I received the quilt from Mrs. Prince.

MARY JOHNSON *ſworn.*

I ſaw the priſoner Gould in Mrs. Hughes's houſe, between five and ſix on Monday evening, before ſhe came home; I ſaw her in the room from whence the things were miſſing three times, from the windows; ſhe was putting up ſomething white, and went out at the back door, to her own houſe; Underwood and her lived together; I ſaw them both run together; they ſwore, and ſaid run as faſt as ever you can: Penn's window commands a view of Mrs. Gould's houſe.

MARY POLLARD *ſworn.*

I am a hat and bonnet maker. The priſoner Gould came to me with this ſilk cloak, and ſhe ſaid Ann Underwood ſent her, and ſhe was to have a ſhilling, and take no notice; I took the cloak, and I told her I would ſend to Nan Underwood.

SARAH PRINCE *ſworn.*

I keep a green and fiſh-ſtall. Ann Underwood came to me; (I never knew her by the name of Ann Penn) ſhe brought the old counterpane to me, and ſhe ſaid, Jack and I have been having words, and damn my eyes I will ſell all off; ſhe aſked me two ſhillings, for the quilt, and I gave her eighteen pence, and ſhe went away next morning; John Reeves came in

to

to be ſhaved, and I gave him the counterpane.

(The things depoſed to.)

ANN PENN alias UNDERWOOD, GUILTY. (Aged 39.)

Fined 1s. *and impriſoned ſix months.*

FRANCES GOULD alias DAVENPORT, GUILTY. (Aged 29.)

Fined 1s. *and impriſoned ſix months.*

Tried by the ſecond Middleſex Jury before Mr. RECORDER.

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307. JOHN BROWN was indicted for that he, on the 24th of April laſt, an hundred pounds weight of lead, value 12s. belonging to Mary Conſtable, and affixed to her dwelling-houſe, feloniouſly did cut, rip, and break, with intent to ſteal, againſt the ſtatute.

MARY CONSTABLE *ſworn.*

I live in a houſe in Bowling-alley, Clerkenwell. The lead was attempted to be taken from that houſe early in the morning; I heard a very great noiſe as I lay in bed about three o'clock, and the maid that ſleeps in the room with me, and got up directly and looked up the chimney; the watchman, Willis, was called; I ſaw the lead after it was taken off.

JAMES WILLIS *ſworn.*

I am a watchman. On Tueſday morning, the 24th of April, I was going three, I was called by Mrs. Conſtable; I came up ſtairs and heard the tiles fall down; I waited about the premiſes half an hour; and I went and fetched Jeremiah Lawrence, and he came with me, and he went to the top of the houſe; I went up about five o'clock that morning, and the lead was all torn off and rolled up in a lump; there was about a foot not taken off; none was cut clean off.

JEREMIAH LAWRENCE *ſworn.*

I am a butcher. I ſaw the priſoner on Mrs. Conſtable's houſe about half after three, in the gutter; I turned round and ſpoke to him; I had a candle in my hat; when he ſaw me he tried to get away, and jumped off one ſtory; I purſued and took him directly; nothing was found upon him: when I firſt ſaw the priſoner he was ſtooping with his back towards me, doubling the lead together.

Priſoner. None of the lead was cut; they were obliged to cut it to bring it away.

Court to Willis. Did you cut it?—I did not cut it.

PRISONER's DEFENCE.

I am innocent. I went to this place to do an odd job for myſelf.

GUILTY.

Whipped and impriſoned ſix months.

Tried by the ſecond Middleſex Jury before Mr. RECORDER.

MISDEMEANORS.

308. JOSEPH HICKS was indicted for feloniouſly aſſaulting, on the 22d of April, 1789, at Stoke Damarell, Thomas Kingsford, and others, officers of exciſe, in the diſcharge of their duty as exciſe officers, in ſeizing uncuſtomed goods.

Mr. Garrow opened the indictment, and Mr. Attorney General the caſe.

THOMAS KINGSFORD *ſworn.*

(Examined by Mr. Fielding.)

I am an exciſe officer, and was ſo in the year 1789; my buſineſs was at Plymouth Dock; there were ſome people at Mutton-Cove, between one and two in the morning, landing ſome caſks; every man had a caſk and

and a large ſtick; I was concealed in the rocks; they paſſed me and the other officers towards Plymouth Dock; we followed them and took ſome of the caſks away; the priſoner was among thoſe who was in the boat, and he was one who had a caſk taken from him; they went behind an empty houſe, and depoſited their caſks; I went up to them, and one of them ſtruck me on the head with a bludgeon, and cut my head very much, then three or four fell upon me, and the blood flowed all over my face; they throwed ſtones after me, and they broke my leg; then they took me to a door, and preſently they brought an anker of gin and put beſide me; then James Taylor was brought and laid down by me, and his leg was alſo broke; then the ſmugglers came and ſaid kill the b—rs; one of them ſaid, O! d——n me, they are dead enough. I don't know that the priſoner did any damage.

THOMAS KINGSFORD, jun. *ſworn.*

I was an exciſe officer. On the 2d of April, 1789, I ſaw the priſoner with a keg on his back, and a bludgeon; my father was laid on the ſteps of a public houſe, called the Fortune of War. I am ſure I ſaw the priſoner go back, after my father was beat, to the gang; I ſaw the priſoner afterwards between the diſtance of one month and ſeven; I ſaw the priſoner at Caurſand, with a bill-hook in his hand; I ſaw him again in a public houſe, and he aſked me to drink, and told me I ſhould not be hurt, I drank with him, and he ſaid I was in the company, but I did not ſtrike; they will all ſay ſo.

PRISONER's DEFENCE.

I never was near the place that night, I ſaw neither Kingsford or his ſon.

GUILTY.

Impriſoned three years.

Tried by the firſt Middleſex Jury before Mr. Baron PERRYN.

309. RICHARD RIDEOUT was indicted for obſtructing the officers of exciſe in the diſcharge of their duty.

Mr. Garrow. My Lord, the priſoner at the bar wiſhes to retract his plea, and to ſtate himſelf Guilty. Mr. Attorney General, who has very important avocations at another place, that require his attendence, directed I ſhould conduct this proſecution; I have an affidavit in my hand of very reſpectable perſons; of the rector of the pariſh in which the priſoner lives, and of a great variety of other perſons, who bear ample teſtimony to the good character of the priſoner; he is ſtated to be a man with a wife and ſix children depending upon him for ſupport; and he comes claiming the mercy of the Attorney General; when ever that appeal is made, you know very well, it is made with great ſafety; the man has been very properly adviſed, by thoſe to whom he has intruſted his intereſt, to plead guilty; and Mr. Attorney General conſents, by me, to receive his plea.

Court. How long has he been in goal? —Some time in cuſtody.

Mr. Shelton. Do you deſire to retract your plea of Not Guilty, and to plead Guilty?

Priſoner. Yes.

Court. Then let him be impriſoned a fortnight.

Tried by the firſt Middleſex Jury before Mr. Juſtice ASHURST.

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310. JOHN KELLY was indicted for putting off a bad ſhilling, on the 27th of May, to Thomas Holman.

THOMAS HOLMAN *ſworn.*

I keep the Half Moon public houſe, Long Lane, Smithfield. The priſoner came in about half paſt three, with another; they ſtaid till very near ſeven; they had two pints of ale, which came to 5d. the young man paid at the bar; he offered me a bad ſhilling; I refuſed it, he then offered me another, I told

told him that was a bad one; says he then you muſt give me change for half a guinea, for he had no more ſilver about him; I gave him change, they went both out of door, and I followed them; I thought it was light, but could not conveniently ſee, ſo I followed him, and they were about 100 yards off; I got up to this young man, and took him, and told him about the half guinea; he ſaid he did not know he had ſuch an one.

Mr. Garrow, priſoner's counſel. Was not this man in liquor?—I don't know he was, they had only two pints of ale.

After you ſtopt this man, did not he give you a guinea?—He did, and took the half guinea; and I then aſked him to look at the half guinea again, and he let me look at it directly.

SIMEON STEVENS *ſworn.*

I am the conſtable. I ſearched the priſoner and found ſix good ſhillings in one pocket, altogether, not mixed at all; and there were three bad ones with ſome half-pence in another pocket; about nine penny-worth of half-pence. I returned the good ſilver and 9d. of half-pence to the priſoner; the bad ſhilling I kept, with the half guinea that Mr. Holman gave me, and have them here; I have kept them ever ſince; I put a mark on the half guinea at the time I received it.

JOHN CLARKE *ſworn.*

Look at theſe coins and tell us whether it is the legal coin or counterfeits?—They are all counterfeits.

Mr. Garrow addreſſed the jury on the part of the defendant.

THOMAS EVENS *ſworn.*

I work the inner keys at the New Compter, he was very much intoxicated.

Mr. Knowlys. What time did you receive him?—About ſeven o'clock in the evening.

How many did you receive that day?—About five.

Of whom did you receive him?—Of Mr. Kirby, the outer turnkey.

When were you applied to to come and give this evidence?—About a fortnight ago a gentleman came to me and aſked me if the man was in liquor; I told him I thought he was; he caſt his victuals about the bed.

SARAH EVANS *ſworn.*

I locked him up myſelf, and he was as drunk as a man could be to walk.

The priſoner called two witneſſes to his character.

GUILTY both Counts.

Impriſoned one year and find ſecurity for two.

Tried by the London Jury before Mr. COMMON SERJEANT.

The Trials being ended, the Court proceeded to paſs Sentence, as follows:

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To be impriſoned Six Months, and fined 1s. 14, viz.

James Flynn, Daniel Roſs, John Reed, Jane Beckwith, Thomas Sparkes, Ann Penn alias Underwood, Frances Gould alias Davenport, Eliz. Dozell, Thomas Criſp, John Mann, Mary Rourke, John Manning, Sarah Turner, and Ann Mills.

To be impriſoned Six Months, and publicly whipped, 4, viz.

Robert Andrews, Iſaac Williams, John Brown, William Smith.

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Charles Darby, William Hoy, John Patterſon, Charles Crawley, Thomas Dingley, Charles Burn, John Stonehard.

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To be impriſoned Three Months, and fined 1s. 3, viz.

Catherine Cullnm, Samuel George, William Hudſon.

To be impriſoned Three Months, and Publicly Whipped, 4, viz.

George Howſon, John Burn, George Dell, Robert Price. (Laſt Seſſions.)

To be impriſoned One Month and fined 1s. 1, viz.

Thomas Doyle.

To be impriſoned One Month, and Publicly Whipped, 2, viz.

John Jackſon, William Hiland.

To be impriſoned Fourteen Days. 1, viz.

William Ridout.

To be impriſoned One Week, and fined 1s. 5, viz.

Mary Cockyane, Ann Young, Mary Hodwell, Suſannah Gilling, John Rowley.

To be impriſoned One Week and Privately Whipped, 1, viv.

Mary Harris.

Judgment reſpited.

Samuel Coward.

Judgment reſpited for opinion of judges.

John Davis.

To be impriſoned Two Months, and fined 1s. 1, viz.

Maria Roberts.

Fined 1s. and Diſcharged, 1, viz.

Charles Bundy.

To be Publicly Whipped, and Diſcharged, 4, viz.

John Wilkins, John Power, Richard Lewis, William Aſkew (fined 1s.)

GILES SALISBURY, ſick, remanded next Seſſions.

The TRIALS of JAMES ABBOTT, JAMES KING KEELING, and PHILIP GOODWIN; alſo of JOHN CLEWES; and alſo of WILLIAM LIGHTHOWLER, poſtponed to the next Seſſions, which will begin on WEDNESDAY, the 4th of July, at the Seſſion-Houſe, in the Old-Bailey.

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William Ball	Joſeph Simmons	Robert Sudlow
William Dyer *	James Elliott	Charles Wren
William Minchin	George Parkinſon	John Bailey
John Shanck	Richard Chapman	John Milnes

* John Martin Burr ſerved ſome time in the room of William Dyer.

311. JOHN BALL and JOSHUA BALL were indicted for burglariouſly and feloniouſly breaking and entering the dwelling-houſe of Ann Farrer, about the hour of one in the night, on the 21ſt of May laſt, and burglariouſly ſtealing therein

therein a pair of ſheets, value 12s. two linen table cloths, value 6s. three white linen aprons, value 4s. three check linen aprons, value 3s. a linen waiſtcoat, value 2s. ſix pair of cotton ſtockings, value 2s. two pair of worſted ditto, value 6d. three tin caniſters, value 2s. a quarter of a pound of tea, value 18d. a quarter of a pound of ſugar, value 3d. two large ſilver table ſpoons, value 20s. nine ſilver tea ſpoons, value 9s. a pair of ſilver ſugar tongs, value 10s. three quarters of a yard of lawn, value 18d. and eight unmade linen caps, value 8s. her property; two pair of cotton ſtockings, value 2s. one pair of boots, value 10s. and two pair of ſhoes, value 5s. the property of Thomas Beckett.

(The witneſſes examined ſeparate.)

ANN FARRER *ſworn.*

I live at No. 58, Penton-ſtreet, in the pariſh of St. James, Clerkenwell; I keep houſe there; on the 21ſt of May, at night, my houſe was broke open; I went to bed at eleven, and faſtened every ſhutter and door and window myſelf, before I went to bed; I was not alarmed till I roſe at ſix, and I found the back kitchen window ſhutter broke, and a ſtrange tinder box, and bunch of matches and flint, and every thing to ſtrike a light; I went into the other kitchen and found the door open, and the ſheets were gone from the horſe, and the tea cheſt, and the dreſſer drawer, where the linnen was, and the things gone; part of them have been in poſſeſſion of the conſtable, Whitman; I did not know the priſoner before.

JOSEPH WHITMAN *ſworn.*

I am a conſtable; I produce theſe things; they were brought by the watchman, with the priſoner, to the watchhouſe, by Underwood and two others; I have kept them ever ſince. (Depoſed to.)

THOMAS BLACKETT *ſworn.*

I lodged with the proſecutrix on the 21ſt of May laſt; I loſt a pair of boots, and two pair of ſhoes, and two or three pair of ſtockings; they are here.

(Depoſed to.)

THOMAS UNDERWOOD *ſworn.*

I am a watchman in Southampton-place, Tottenham Court Road, about a mile from Mrs. Farrer's; I heard a rattle ſpring, and I ſaw three men run acroſs the field; I ſaw one of them, Joſhua Ball, with a big bundle; between the garden pails and a court I ſtopped two of the men; Joſhua Ball I took my ownſelf, and John Ball he ſtopped when I got hold of his brother; them were the two priſoners; I ſaw one Johnſon take up the bundle while I had hold of the priſoners; he took it up to the watchhouſe, and Mr. Whitman looked it over, and it was taken to the juſtice; the bundle was delivered to Whitman; I ſaw them between three and four in the morning croſs the field.

JOSHUA JOHNSON *ſworn.*

I am a watchman in Conſtitution Row, the bottom of Gray's Inn Lane; I ſaw the two priſoners in company with another, with bundles under their arms, run acroſs the road; they croſſed into a brick field of Mr. Harriſon's; I told his watchman, and we followed them into the Duke of Bedford's road; when they perceived us they ran away to them little huts called Mortimer's Folly; I called out, and alarmed the watchman in Southampton buildings; I ſaw him take two of them; I endeavoured to meet them, and they turned back; I did not ſee the priſoner chuck away the bundle; we took them to the watchhouſe; they were very near half a mile from Mrs. Farrer's houſe; they were from that way.

Mr. Garrow, priſoner's counſel. Was there light enough to diſcover a man's countenance?—Yes.

After day break was it?—Yes, ſome time after day break, about half paſt three o'clock.

HENRY HERBERT *ſworn.*

I am a watchman to Mr. Harriſon, the cow-keeper in Gray's Inn Lane; I came out of my maſter's farm, and this other watchman told me; then I ſaw three men with bundles, about half paſt three in the morning;

ing; we followed them with the bundles; they were out of my ſight in about half a minute, and in that time they had thrown their bundles away.

JAMES BUNN *ſworn.*

I am a labourer, at Iſlington; I ſaw theſe two young men and another, in company, jump over a bank and run away, about 200 yards from Mrs. Farrer's houſe; I did not ſee whether they had any thing with them; they ſat on the bank to drink a bottle of beer; I found a bottle there afterwards; this was about five minutes before three, as near as I can tell.

Was it light then? — Yes; then they went to the bottom of the hill; then I ſaw two of them with bundles, the other had not, and I went after them to Mrs. Harriſon's, and told the watchman; he followed them, and I went away; I work at the lead mill at Iſlington; I was at club that morning till near two o'clock.

Mr. Garrow. Had you been drinking? —Yes.

Pretty much in liquor?—No, I was not in liqour at all.

How many hours had you been drinking?—About two hours and a half; it was rather late before I left work, when I went down; I do not know rightly what time; the club meet about ſeven in the evening.

JOHN BALL, } GUILTY 39s.
JOSHUA BALL, }

Tranſported for ſeven years.

Tried by the firſt Middleſex Jury before Mr. Juſtice BULLER.

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312. ROBERT HOUGHTON was indicted for feloniouſly making an aſſault on the king's highway, on the 19th day of May, on James Perry, and feloniouſly taking from his perſon, and againſt his will, a gold watch, value 5l. a ſteel watch chain, &c. value 1s. the goods of James Perry.

JAMES PERRY *ſworn.*

I have been a merchant, but retired to Wolverhampton; upon the 19th of May, between eight and nine o'clock, I was going through Taviſtock ſtreet; at the corner of Charles ſtreet I was met by two men, one of which was the priſoner, the other in a ſhabby coat; I was ſtopped by them; they did not ſpeak to me; they met me I ſuppoſed by accident; two came behind me immediately and pinioned my arms; they puſhed me up againſt the two men who ſtood before me; I felt my watch go; I turned myſelf round and puſhed the priſoner up againſt ſome ſhutters; upon that one of the men who ſtood behind me ſtruck me a violent blow on the ſide of my head; it made me reel, but I did not fall; I called for the watch, but no watch was ſet; a gentleman (Mr. Thompſon) came to my aſſiſtance; I told him I had been robbed; as I was coming through Ruſſel Court I pulled out my watch to ſee what was the time of the evening, and do not know that I met any body after that till I met theſe people; I felt a motion about the waiſtband of my breeches before I was ſtruck; on Mr. Thompſon's coming up the three men went acroſs the way; I pointed to them, and they all four ſet out a running; Mr. Thompſon run after them up Taviſtock court; I followed as faſt as I could; and, at the top of Taviſtock court, I found Mr. Thompſon had hold of the priſoner; I am ſure he is the man that faced me in the ſtreet; I aſked the people what they were going to do; they made me no anſwer; I have never found my watch; the two men who came up to me were cloſe together.

Mr. Garrow. What coloured coat did you deſcribe this man to be in? — A dark blue.

How long had you been robbed before the priſoner was taken? — Immediately, perhaps not ten minutes; it was between eight and nine?

Was you preſent when Thompſon and Forbes had hold of this man, and had before taken hold of another? — I was not.

RICHARD

RICHARD THOMPSON *ſworn.*

I am a gentleman, a member of Lincoln's Inn; on the 19th of May laſt, about nine in the evening, I was going to Lincoln's Inn; in Taviſtock ſtreet, at the eaſt end, near Charles ſtreet, about a dozen paces before me, I perceived a buſtle, and of a ſudden I ſaw Mr. Perry ſtagger into the ſtreet; I ſtepped haſtily up, and ſaw he was ſurrounded by four or five men; he exclaimed, d—n them, they have got my watch! I aſked what was the matter; he repeated I have been robbed; I could not fix upon more than one to ſpeak to him, and that is not the priſoner; I went after the man up Taviſtock court; I never had loſt ſight of him; I ſecured him, and in my return to Mr. Perry I met the priſoner, who ſeemed to come out of the ruins of a houſe that had been burned; he ſtruck me violently ſeveral blows, and the man I had hold of eſcaped; I then laid hold of the priſoner, and he ſtruck me again; he retreated about 150 yards, and was cloſe to the Queen's Head publick houſe, Covent Garden; the crowd knocked us into the door way; I ſeized him by the collar; Mr. F. made his way through the mob, and I took the priſoner; the priſoner denied that he had ſtruck me, but I have not the ſmalleſt doubt of it; he was not out of my ſight the whole time.

——— FORBES *ſworn.*

My ſhop is the corner of Taviſtock court; on the 19th of May laſt, I was ſtanding at my door, I heard a noiſe, and ſaw Mr. Thompſon and the priſoner making a ſet at one another, as though they were going to fight; the priſoner retreated and Thompſon followed him; ſeeing him a reſpectable looking character I followed to the door of the publick houſe; the priſoner and Mr. Thompſon were in the paſſage, and appeared to be ſparring; I held Mr. Thompſon and the priſoner; when Mr. Parry came up he ſaid that's him.

MOSES MORANT *ſworn.*

On the 19th of May the priſoner was brought to me and I ſearched him, and took him to the watch houſe; there was nothing found upon him but his own property.

PRISONER's DEFENCE.

I was paſſing from Lincoln's Inn Fields to Covent Garden, to buy ſome garden ſtuff, and I ſaw theſe gentlemen, and they ſaid I was not the perſon.

The priſoner called five witneſſes, who gave him a good character.

GUILTY, Death. (Aged 25.)

Tried by the firſt Middleſex Jury before the Lord CHIEF BARON.

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313. JAMES ABBOTT and JAMES KING KEELING were indicted for burglariouſly and feloniouſly breaking and entering the dwelling houſe of Humphrey Howarth, Eſq. on the 22d day of March laſt, about the hour of eleven at night, and burglariouſly ſtealing therein twelve linen ſhirts, value 6l. twelve lawn neckcloths, value 42s. four muſlin neckcloths, value 30s. ſix callico half-handkerchiefs, value 6s. four lawn handkerchiefs, value 4s. three pair of ſilk hoſe, value 21s. three pair of ſilver ſhoebuckles, value 63s. one pair of ſilver knee-buckles, value 5s. one pair of ſtone knee buckles ſet in gold, value 60s. one ſilver lancet caſe, containing ſix lancets, value 12s. two razors, value 2s. one gold watch and hand, value 10l. two cornelian ſtone ſeals, ſet in gold, value 3l. 10s. one ſilver waiter, value 5l. one ſilver tea-pot, value 4l. one ſilver tea-pot ſtand, value 30s. one ſilver ſugar baſon, value 30s and one ſilver milk pot, value 20s. his property.

And PHILIP GOODWIN was indicted for feloniouſly receiving a muſlin neck cloth, value 2s. two lancets, value 12d. and a razor, value 12d. part of the ſaid goods, knowing them to have been ſtolen.

(The caſe opened by Mr. Schoen.)

The witneſſes examined ſeparately, by deſire of priſoner Keeling.

HUMPHREY HOWARTH Eſq. *ſworn.*

I was robbed on the 22d of March; I came home about one; I was awaked about eight the next morning; my ſervant informed me I had been robbed; I found a bureau and trunk broke open; there was a cloſet broken open, and the plate taken away; I then went into the kitchen and found the area door broke open; round Goodwin's neck I found a handkerchief of my property; at Keeling's lodgings I found ſome neck handkerchiefs; I went to the houſe of one France, and in a bureau I found part of a wafer ſeal; Abbott was taken up on ſuſpicion; I went to Tunbridge, and in Keeling's lodgings I found ſome linen.

Priſoner's Counſel. You have, I believe, two houſes in town?—I have.

SARAH MILLINGTON *ſworn.*

I am ſervant to Mr. Howarth; on the 22d of March I went to bed about twelve o'clock; all the doors and windows were made perfectly faſt; Keeling came that night and aſked for John Drury, I ſaid he was in bed; he ſaid he had but a meſſage to deliver to him, and I let him in, and he went up for a few minutes; when he went away I faſtened the door after him; I had not ſeen Keeling before that time; Drury was in liquor at the time.

JOHN DRURY *ſworn.*

I was ſervant to Mr. Howarth; I know Keeling and Abbott; I ſaw them at the Goat, in Stafford ſtreet, on the 22d of March; they propoſed to me to brake my maſter's houſe open; we met the night before the robbery, and it was agreed in Dover ſtreet that the houſe ſhould be broke open by the two priſoners and Caverner; when we met I was drunk; we agreed I was to leave the bolts open; Keeling ſaid there was no occaſion to leave only one, as he had materials *once* to break all the bolts in the kingdom; Keeling went home with me, and took ſome ſhrub to give the maid to make her ſleep; about two o'clock I heard a noiſe of breaking the plate cheſt; I was terrified, and I went to them and told them not to make ſuch a noiſe or they would ſurely be taken; this was about three in the morning; then they went down ſtairs and ſwore at each other, and ſaid they expected to find *many quid*, thoſe are the men; I ſaw Abbott and Keeling at that time; when they were going a ſoup ladle dropped by Keeling.

Mr. Knowlys. How long had you been in Mr. H's ſervice?—About ſix months.

What did you mean by the word quid?—I believe it means guineas.

Jury. Was you drunk or ſober?—They never propoſed it till I was in liquor.

Mr. Garrow. Was you ever drunk at any of the converſations?—Yes.

What! was you always drunk?—No, not always.

Was you drunk in the beginning of the converſation?—I had been drinking all day.

THOMAS CAVERNER, *ſworn.*

I know Abbott and Keeling; about a fortnight before Mr. Howarth's houſe was robbed Keeling aſked me, if I had heard Burn ſay any thing about Mr. Howarth's robbery, I ſaid I had; Keeling and three others came to me at the Goat and aſked me to let a young man ſleep with me; I have been in priſon twelve weeks; I have had three converſations with York; the firſt time he appeared to be drunk, then it was propoſed by Burn.

THOMAS GRANT *ſworn.*

I was at the Goat in Lancaſter court, on the 22d of March, between eleven and one; I went away about twelve; I ſaw Abbott and Keeling there; I believe they quitted the houſe about twelve o'clock, the night was very dark; I do not know which way they went, whether to the right or left.

HARRY

HARRY PLUME *ſworn.*

I keep the Coach and Horſes in Dover ſtreet; I do not know the priſoners.

MARY TAYLOR *ſworn.*

I live at Tunbridge, Keeling lodged at my houſe; about eight or nine weeks ago Keeling was taken in the town; there was ſome things taken from my houſe by Sherlock.

JOHN SHERLOCK *ſworn.*

This property was delivered to me by the magiſtrate: ſome of it was brought to me by Mr. Howarth, ſome given to me by Mr. Gabriel; theſe things I had from Mr. Howarth, except the buckles.

Mr. Howarth. I firſt, after the robbery, ſaw theſe things at Mrs. Taylor's; I found theſe ſilver knee buckles (produces them and ſeveral handkerchiefs); theſe are my knee buckles; (depoſes to the handkerchiefs.)

The priſoner Goodwin called three witneſſes, who gave him a good character; and the proſecutor ſaid that Lord Mazarene, with whom he had lived, would have given him a good character.

The priſoner Abbott called four witneſſes, who gave him a good character.

JAMES KING KEELING, GUILTY, Death.

JAMES ABBOTT, PHILIP GOODWIN, } NOT GUILTY.

The proſecutor recommended Keeling to mercy.

Tried by the firſt Middleſex Jury before Mr. Juſtice BULLER.

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314. WILLIAM DYER, BISHOP UNDERWOOD, and THOMAS HARRIS, were indicted for ſtealing on the 20th of June laſt, a ſilk and muſlin waiſtcoat, value 3s. 6d. the property of Richard Enoch.

The priſoners were taken immediately with the property.

BISHOP UNDERWOOD, WILLIAM DYER, } GUILTY.

Tranſported for ſeven years.

THOMAS HARRIS, NOT GUILTY.

Tried by the firſt Middleſex Jury before Mr. Baron BULLER.

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315. RICHARD LIGHTOWLER was indicted for, that he on the 11th of April laſt falſely and feloniouſly did make, forge, and counterfeit, and cauſe and procure to be falſely made, forged, and counterfeited, and did willingly act and aſſiſt in the falſe making, forging, and counterfeiting a certain order for payment of money, dated the 11th of April, 1792, with the name of George Hardinge thereto ſubſcribed, directed to Henry Hoare, Eſq. Henry Hugh Hoare, Eſq. Charles Hoare, Eſq. and Henry Merrick Hoare, Eſq. by the name and deſcription of Meſſrs. Hoare, for the ſum of 96l. the tenor of which falſe, forged, and counterfeited order for payment, is as follows; that is to ſay, "Gentlemen, pay "the bearer 96l. yours George Hardinge, "April the 11th, 1792; Meſſrs. Hoare." with intention to defraud the ſaid Henry Hoare, Henry Hugh Hoare, Charles Hoare, and Henry Merrick Hoare.

A ſecond count. That he on the ſame day feloniouſly did utter and publiſh, as true, the ſame order for payment of money, with the like intention, knowing it to be forged and counterfeited.

A third count. Charging him on the ſame day with feloniouſly and falſely making and counterfeiting the ſame order, for payment of money, with intention to defraud the ſaid George Hardinge.

A fourth count. For uttering the ſame with the like intention.

(The indictment opened by Mr. Knapp; and the caſe by Mr. Couſt.)

WILLIAM

WILLIAM WILLOUGHBY *ſworn.*

Mr. Garrow. You are clerk in the houſe of Meſſrs. Hoare?—Yes.

What is the firm of their houſe?—Henry Hoare, Eſq. Henry Hugh Hoare, Charles Hoare, and Henry Merrick Hoare.

That was the firm on the 11th of April laſt?—It was.

Upon that day did the priſoner at the bar come to their banking houſe?—On that day, as I believe, between three and four, ſomewhere near four, the priſoner came into the banking ſhop and preſented the draft I have now in my hand as the draft of George Hardinge for payment; on my receiving the draft, I aſked him in what manner he choſe to receive it, and he anſwered four 20l. notes, and the remainder in caſh; the draft is for 96l. upon his anſwering me, I looked again at the draft, and was perſuaded in my own mind it was not the hand-writing of Mr. Hardinge; I again repeated the ſame queſtion, and received the ſame anſwer; I then referred to Mr. Morgan, who concurred in my opinion; I heard the queſtions which Mr. Morgan put; he can better tell you; the draft has been in my poſſeſſion ever ſince; the priſoner was ſecured and taken to Bow Street.

How long have you been acquainted with Mr. Hardinge's hand-writing?—I ſhould ſuppoſe ſix or ſeven years.

He has, during that time, drawn on your houſe?—He has very frequently.

Did he keep caſh at your houſe?—He did (looking at the draft over and over again); I firmly believe, to the beſt of my judgment, that it is not his hand-writing.

Have you any doubt of it?—I have great doubt that he wrote it.

(The draft produced and read.)

Court. As far as a man can ſwear to the hand-writing of another, do you believe it is not his hand-writing?—I believe it is not the hand-writing of Mr. Hardinge, to the beſt of my knowledge.

Mr. Garrow. If you had conceived it to be his hand-writing ſhould you have paid on his draft?—Moſt certainly.

Mr. Fielding, priſoner's counſel. The mode of your judgment, whether Mr. Hardinge's, or not Mr. Hardinge's, is derived from the drafts that you have ſeen preſented at your houſe?—Not in that ſituation.

Your judgment at preſent is made in this way, that this writing is not like other writing of drafts that you have paid?—Juſt ſo.

And the only way in which you make up your mind is, becauſe you have ſeen drafts of Mr. Hardinge's preſented for payment, and which had not been honoured, and this hand writing is not like that; read, "Gentlemen, pay the bearer 96l. yours G. "Hardinge."

Mr. Garrow. Beſides this being very diſſimilar to the character of Mr. Hardinge's hand-writing, was it in the mode of his drawing?—No, he at preſent draws, and did at that time, on a check, and ſigns his name different to that.

Had that taken place in conſequence of ſome peculiar circumſtance; I do not aſk what?—It had.

JOHN MORGAN *ſworn.*

Mr. Knapp. You are a clerk to Meſſrs. Hoare?—Yes.

Do you recollect on the 11th of April the priſoner being at Mr. Hoare's?—Yes, I think I do; his perſon appears to me to be the ſame; I am rather blind; it is the ſame perſon that was taken to Bow ſtreet.

Do you remember a draft being ſhewn to you by Mr. Willoughby?—Yes, perfectly well.

Is that the ſame draft?—I believe it is.

Mr. Fielding—Have you any mark upon it?—No.

Mr. Willoughby. I have marked it.

Do you know Mr. Hardinge's hand-writing?—Yes, ſir, but not very particularly, though I am in the habit of knowing his hand-writing; not in the ſame degree as Mr. Willoughby.

From the knowledge you have of his hand-writing, do you believe that is it?—I believe it is not.

Had you any converſation with the priſoner

ſoner at the bar, or was there any between Mr. Willoughby and the priſoner in your hearing at that time?—Yes there was.

State to the Court what paſſed.—I was accidentally ſitting near Mr. Willoughby, and I do not immediately recollect ſeeing the priſoner come into the ſhop. Upon my ſeeing the draft, I had little or no doubt of it; therefore, I walked round the priſoner, and poſted myſelf between him and the door. I then interrogated him where he got it. He told me he had received it from Mr. Hardinge. I do not recollect whether he ſaid that morning or the preceding evening, but I told him he could not have received it that morning, becauſe I was perſuaded Mr. Hardinge was on the circuit to Wales. I am not ſure, but I think he ſaid he returned to town the preceding evening. I think I aſked him for what purpoſe he might have the bill of Mr. Hardinge, and he told me that it was for ſome horſes that Mr. Hardinge had purchaſed of a friend of his at Llandovery in Wales. I immediately left him in cuſtody, and he went to Bow-ſtreet.

Mr. Fielding. Had you no other converſation with him but what you have related?—Not that I recollect.

You did not perſuade him at all to tell you any thing that paſſed with reſpect to the draft?—No.

JOHN DEAN *ſworn.*

I am butler to George Hardinge, Eſq. I have lived with him ſome time; I have frequently ſeen him write, and know his hand-writing.

Is that his hand-writing, the name of George Hardinge at the bottom of the draft;—I will not ſwear that it is his hand-writing.

Which do you believe?—I think it is not, and I will give you my reaſon why, becauſe he does not always write one hand, nor confine himſelf to one hand-writing; but the reaſon I think it is not his writing is, becauſe he was in South Wales at the time, and not only that, but becauſe it was not on a check upon which he at that time drew.

I cannot take upon myſelf to ſay it is his writing he writes ſo different in drawing his drafts, and in letters which I have frequently ſeen, in ſhort every day and every hour; for that reaſon, I could not ſay; we were in South Wales till Saturday; I cannot tell the day of the month, but I think it was the 14th. This was upon the day of the week Wedneſday.

Mr. Fielding. The only reaſon then for your thinking that this is not Mr. Hardinge's writing is, becauſe he was in Wales at the time the note was preſented?—One reaſon, Sir.

That note you know may have been written a long time before?—Yes.

The other reaſon is, becauſe this note does not appear to be on a check?—Yes.

Otherwiſe you ſay Mr. Hardinge writes ſo many hands that it is difficult to ſay which is which?—It is. I cannot ſay that he writes in ſo different a hand, that I do not know that I can take upon myſelf to ſay that is not his hand.

He writes as different hands as there are letters in the alphabet almoſt?—Yes, Sir.

PATRICK MACMANUS *ſworn.*

Mr. Garrow. You are an officer attending the Publick-office in Bow-ſtreet?—Yes.

And was there when the priſoner was examined the 11th of April?—Yes.

Did you ſee this confeſſion ſigned by him?

Mr. Fielding. Permit me to aſk who was in company with him at that time; were any of the gentlemen from Mr. Hoare's ſhop there?—No.

I ſhould think not. Had you yourſelf had any converſation with him before?—Yes.

You had a good deal of converſation before he went in to the Juſtice?—No, not before he went in to the Juſtice, but when he had been in to the Juſtice, not before he went in; for this was drawn up before I

ſaw him at all, and before Mr. Kitchener, and a young man of the name of Rant that is under-clerk in the office. Lightowler was taken over the way to the Green Man; then I talked a deal to him. Some time after he was ſent back to the office, and it turned out that he had ſigned this confeſſion then.

Mr. Garrow. The only queſtion that is fit to be aſked you before this is read, is this, had you, or any body elſe to your knowledge, made him any promiſe, or uſed any threats?—I cannot know what paſſed at the firſt; I do not know of any ſuch thing.

Did you ſee that ſigned by the priſoner?—Yes, I ſaw it ſigned by the priſoner at the magiſtrate's. It was read over by Mr. Lavender, one of the clerks, to the priſoner. Read. "Middleſex, to wit, The "voluntary examination and confeſſion of "Richard Lightowler, charged with for-"gery, taken the 14th of April, 1792, "who acknowledges and ſays, that the or-"der for payment of money, purporting "to be the order of George Hardinge, Eſq. "on Meſſrs. Hoare, is not of the hand-"writing of the ſaid George Hardinge, "but was wrote by him, this examinant, "without the knowledge, conſent, or ap-"probation of the ſaid George Hardinge, "and that he offered it for payment."

PRISONER's DEFENCE.

I leave it entirely to my counſel.

Court. You know your counſel has not an opportunity of ſaying any thing for you?—Clearly, my Lord. I wiſh to ſuggeſt there is a grand miſtake in Mr. Macmanus's evidence: I do not know that the confeſſion was ever read over to him.

Mr. Fielding to Macmanus. You hear what Mr. Lightowler ſays.

Macmanus. Yes, Sir, and I am very ſorry to hear him ſay ſo.

Priſoner. Mr. Lavender was the moſt likely perſon to know whether it was or was not. I have very little thoughts of its doing me a ſervice: this I will tell you very candidly, that I read it over myſelf, but it never was read over to me.

Macmanus. I am ſure Mr. Lavender read it and gave it into his hand afterwards.

Court. Did he read it to him in an open way, ſo that he heard the whole of what paſſed?—Yes, Sir.

Mr. Fielding. How came Lavender not to be here?—I do not know.

Are you prepared then to ſay upon your oath, that it was read over?—I have no doubt about it, not the leaſt; I wiſh Lavender was ſent for.

Priſoner. I have no deſire of the kind, I do not think it would ſerve me.

Mr. Fielding. There is no harm in your ſuggeſtion of the queſtion at all.

Priſoner. I hope not.

Mr. Fielding. If you mean to ſay any thing to the Court or Jury, you muſt do it yourſelf.—I have nobody here. Apprehending from the meſſage I received from the worthy ſolicitor againſt me, that my trial would not come on, I did not prepare myſelf with any witneſſes at all.

GUILTY *of uttering, not of the Forgery.*

Death. (Aged 26.)

The priſoner bowed reſpectfully, and retired.

Tried by the London Jury before Mr. RECORDER.

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316. WILLIAM ALLEN was indicted for ſtealing on the 23d of June, a watch, inſide baſe metal, outſide tortoiſeſhell caſe, value 50s. a ſteel chain, value 2s. two ſtone ſeals, ſet in baſe metal, value 2s. the property of John Rowntree, in his dwelling-houſe.

JOHN ROWNTREE *ſworn.*

I live at No. 3, Great York-ſtreet, Swan-yard, Shoreditch; I have a houſe there. I am

am a copper-plate printer, and keep a chandler and cook's-ſhop. On the 23d of June I loſt a watch out of the back-room adjoining to the ſhop. A gentleman was there at dinner and the priſoner; I had ſome victuals in the ſame room where the watch was. About two minutes after the priſoner went out, I miſſed the watch; I purſued the lad and got ſight of him; he ran when he ſaw me, and he took down a paſſage; I ſaw his hand move, and I took him; he denied having the watch, and then ſaid there is ſomething there, and the watch lay behind a ſhutter.

(The watch depoſed to.)

It coſt three guineas and an half when new; I have had it ſome time; the chain and ſeals coſt 6s. 6d. The priſoner was ſecured.

WILLIAM MARTIN *ſworn.*

I was in this room at dinner. I ſaw the watch behind me when I went into the ſhop, and it was 18 minutes after twelve. The priſoner came out; the watch was miſſed, and the priſoner purſued; he went down a paſſage, and I ſaw him throw the watch behind a ſhutter, and ſhew Mr. Rowntree where the watch was.

PRISONER's DEFENCE.

One day I was in great diſtreſs, and a gentleman came up and gave me 3d. and I went into the ſhop: the gentleman was ringing the bell for coals. I was in great diſtreſs, out of place, and it was neceſſity made me take it; it is the firſt error I ever was guilty of, and I hope you will have a little mercy. I have no friend in the world but my mother; ſhe lives at No. 52, in Skinner's-ſtreet; ſhe knows I am in goal.

GUILTY, Stealing, 39s.

Tranſported for ſeven years.

Tried by the firſt Middleſex Jury before Mr. Juſtice BULLER.

317. WILLIAM WILLIAMS was indicted for feloniouſly ſtealing, on the 26th of June laſt, 8 ſilver table ſpoons, value 4l. a ſilver gravy ſpoon, value 15s. a ſilver ſoup ladle, value 20s. the property of the Rev. John Breynton, in the dwelling-houſe of Mary Ryley.

VALENTINE COOK *ſworn.*

I am ſervant to the Rev. Dr. John Breynton, he lodges at No. 63, Edgeware-road, at Mary Ryley's. On the 26th of June, about 5 minutes before four, I heard ſomebody lift the key in the door and let themſelves in. I thought it was my maſter, but he is an old gentleman of 74 years of age, and I thought the foot was too quick for him: I came up and met the priſoner; he aſked for a woman that was not in the houſe, and I ſeized him directly; then he dropped the ſilver ſoup ladle, and took out 6 ſilver table ſpoons and the gravy ſpoon, and went down on his knees, and ſaid that it was his firſt offence; he aſked me if I had all the ſpoons, I counted them over, and there were two more wanting; and he opened his breeches and took out two out of his breeches.

James Webſter, who lives next door, came to my aſſiſtance; I do not know the value; I never bought any, nor never ſold any.

JAMES WEBSTER *ſworn.*

I live next houſe, No. 64; I happened to be in the garden forward, and heard the word called out, *thief*. I went to Mrs. Mary Ryley's; there I found the priſoner on his knees, and ſaw thoſe ſpoons taken out; I cannot ſay to the value.

RICHARD SMITH *ſworn.*

I am conſtable. About four o'clock I was fetched, and the priſoner was on his knees begging pardon. I know not the value of the ſpoons.

The priſoner called one witneſs, who gave him a very good character, and ſaid he would employ him.

Court.

Court. There is no evidence as to the value; you muſt ſee what the articles are, and judge what the value is.

GUILTY, Death.

Tried by the firſt Middleſex Jury before Mr. Juſtice BULLER.

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318. EDWARD OWEN was indicted for feloniouſly ſtealing, on the 28th of June laſt, a hundred and five guineas, the money of John Pratt, John Watts, and Matthew Lowden, in the dwelling-houſe of Patrick Brady.

A ſecond count laying it to be the property of Henry Holland.

A third count laying it to be the property of James Foreman.

JAMES FOREMAN *ſworn.*

I live at Southend in Eſſex. I was in London the 28th of laſt month on ſome buſineſs for my maſters, John Pratt, John Watts, and Matthew Lowden. I went firſt to Mr. Watts's, at Walworth-ſtairs, one of my maſters; I went to Mr. Holland's, in Gray's Inn, and I was going up Holborn to buy a Builder's Price-book, and I met with the priſoner in Middle-row, Holborn; he was talking about London, and he ſaid he had been ſubpœnaed on a trial from Lincolnſhire, and was almoſt tired of London. Walking up Holborn in converſation with this man, he ſtooped and picked up a purſe, and he had me over to a publick-houſe; I do not know the houſe, nor who kept it; juſt after a gentleman came in and opened the purſe, and there was a receipt, bought of Mr. Smith, a diamond croſs, value 230 guineas; the diamond croſs was in the box.

Court. Was you never in London before?—Yes.

How came you to be ſuch a fool then? what paſſed next?—The gentleman ſaid the receipt was good for nothing, unleſs we had the prize; then he pulled out this croſs, and the gentleman ſaid if I was with him, I had a right to have half of it, and he ſhould have expected the ſame, and he agreed to give me 100l. for the half part of it, and he went out pretending to get the money, and he could not get the money, and he aſked me if I could get the money; this gentleman gave me a card to one Mr. Blundell, the bottom of Holborn Hill; he ſaid his name was Blundell, and we were to meet at this Mr. Blundell's between ſix and ſeven o'clock, and he was to return me my money back again, and 100l.

Court. Why you ſaid nothing about your money yet?—He aſked me if I could get the money, and I told him I could; I laid down on the table a hundred and five guineas; then he went out with the money, and we parted, and I went to this Mr. Blundell's, and not finding him there, I went to the Ram, in Smithfield, where he ſaid he quartered.

Did you ſee any body of the name of Blundell?—Yes.

Was that the man that you ſaw at the houſe?—No.

Neither of them?—No, and at the Ram they told me there had been a trial on from Lincolnſhire, but the people had been gone home a fortnight: then I went up to the Caſtle in Holborn, and in a very little time the priſoner came in; he aſked me if I had ſeen the other; I told him I had been to the houſe, but there was no ſuch man to be found; he ſaid he would go and look after him; I followed him into Old-ſtreet; he ſaid he muſt go into Old-ſtreet; there he went and found the other, and they wanted me to go and have ſomething to drink; I told him I would not leave them; the other man ſlipped by us, I caught this priſoner; I cried *murder*, and there happened to be ſome officers in the houſe, and the priſoner was apprehended. Some of the money was produced, but I do not know how much; 98 guineas are in the hands of the Bow-ſtreet officer, Mr. Carpmeal.

Mr. Garrow, priſoner's counſel. This was your maſter's money, Mr. Foreman?—Yes.

You

You had no difficulty, however, in parting with it for a good bargain which you know did not belong to you?—No.

What had your maſter intruſted you with this money for?—To pay the men at Southend.

You did not ſee this purſe dropt?—No.

It was not he that propoſed to you that you was to have part of it, it was the gentleman?—Yes.

That gentleman ſeemed to have taken the moſt active part in it.

PATRICK BRADY *ſworn.*

I live in Holborn; I keep the Caſtle inn: I recollect about two in the day, that this gentleman and another came in and called for ſix pennyworth of brandy and water, and then another; the proſecutor and the young man that was along with him went away; the priſoner was not there at that time: the buſineſs had happened, as I underſtood it, at another houſe. Mr. Foreman, and another young man, came to my houſe; they went away; about ſix o'clock in the evening, or thereabouts, Mr. Foreman came into the coffee-room and had a glaſs at the bar, and aſked me if I knew the men that were with him; I ſaid I did not; ſays he, they have ruined me; ſays I what have they done to you; ſays he, I gave them 105 guineas.

Then you never ſaw the priſoners at your houſe?—No, not at that time, but in the courſe of this diſcourſe, this gentleman, the priſoner, came in and ſaid he was to meet a perſon there at ſix o'clock; I ſaid there are ſome gentlemen in the coffee-room; he walked in: ſays Mr. Foreman, I really think that is one of the men I gave the money to to-day. I told him to lay hold of him. I never ſaw the priſoner till ſix o'clock.

Court to Foreman. Where was it they got the 105 guineas from you?—At this man's houſe between one and two o'clock.

Was that the young man that drank to you?—Yes, that was the gentleman.

Where was Owen then?—He was there, but he went out after he got the money.

Brady. I never ſaw Owen till that time.

Was you in the houſe when Foreman firſt came in?—Yes, I was when Foreman and the other young man came in; I never ſaw this man at all till ſix in the evening, when this young man came in to aſk me if I knew the parties.

Mr. Garrow. If he had been there you muſt have ſeen him?—Yes, though he might have been there, I ſaw nobody in company but this young man and another.

Court to Foreman. How long was the priſoner in the houſe?—I cannot ſay how long, he was out once or twice. When the priſoner came out, Foreman ſaid to him, you did not meet me according to your promiſe, and the priſoner ſaid come along with me.

JOHN TOWNSEND *ſworn.*

On Thurſday laſt, me and Carpmeal and another officer had occaſion to go to Mr. Clayton's in Old-ſtreet, where, I believe we remained about three hours. At about ſeven, or a little after, I was in the back-yard ſeeing them play at ſkittles, and I heard a great noiſe at the door of ſomebody calling out murder!—do not beat me!—do not beat me!—I ſaid to Carpmeal, what is all this noiſe about, ſomebody ſaid, it is a man and woman a fighting; however, I went to the door, and, to my ſurpriſe, the priſoner and the proſecutor were apparently to me a fighting. Owen had got hold of him by the hair of the head, and the proſecutor was endeavouring to get out of the entry into the ſtreet; I immediately ſaid, what is all this about, and the proſecutor, Foreman, was crying, and ſaying, oh! for God's ſake pity me, they have robbed me;—robbed you, ſays I, of what; why ſays he, they have dropped a purſe; oh! ſays I, that is very well, and we took them both to Bow-ſtreet; I then took this croſs from the proſecutor; I made him put his mark upon it.

Do you know the value of it?—I ſhould ſuppoſe from what I have heard, it is worth

about half-a-guinea, or ſomething thereabout.

(The croſs produced.)

We then took him into the parlour, and I believe he ſent for ſome of the money: however, 98 of the guineas have been recovered out of the 105; Carpmeal has them.

THOMAS CARPMEAL *ſworn.*

I was with Townſend as he has told you, and the priſoner delivered this property into my hands; he ſaid it was the money he received for the croſs, all but 7 guineas; it is 98 guineas.

PRISONER's DEFENCE.

Pleaſe your Lordſhip, we were walking up Holborn, and we found this purſe with the croſs; he cried half; ſays I, I picked it up, I have a right to all; we looked to ſee what was in it: another man came in, ſays he it is valuable property, indeed; ſays he, was you in company; yes, ſays I; yes, ſays the man; ſays I, I have no money about me; ſays he, I have ſome money; I have a note payable to the bearer; he went and got 130l. he left me a hundred and five guineas, and I was to meet him at ſix o'clock at this houſe; and when I returned that 105 guineas and the 100l. more, I was to have the diamond. I met him according to the appointment within a quarter of an hour.

The priſoner called two witneſſes, who gave him a very good character.

GUILTY, Death.

Tried by the firſt Middleſex Jury before Mr. Juſtice BULLER.

Mr. Garrow moved to arreſt the judgment.

Court. Let the judgment be reſpited till the next ſeſſions.

319. ISAAC DAKES was indicted for feloniouſly ſtealing, on the 29th day of June, one ſilk petticoat, value 5s. the goods of Thomas Davis.

ANDREW PIPPARD *ſworn.*

I am ſervant to Mr. Davis, of Biſhopſgate-ſtreet. On the 29th of June, I was ſitting in the parlour at dinner, I heard the footſtep of a perſon in the ſhop; I turned round, and ſaw the priſoner go out of the ſhop; I purſued him, and never loſt ſight of him. I went up to him, and lifted up his coat, and took this petticoat from under his coat: I can ſwear to the petticoat being the property of my maſter, Mr. Thomas Davis; it is marked 8s. in my hand-writing; it was hanging up in the ſhop when I went to dinner.

Priſoner. I was ſtupefied with liquor, and did not know what I was doing: I throw myſelf on the mercy of the Court; I am lately come from Briſtol, and I have not a friend in the world.

GUILTY.

Whipped.

Tried by the London Jury before Mr. RECORDER.

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320. EDWARD HILL was indicted for feloniouſly ſtealing, on the 29th of of May, one woollen cloth great coat, value 2l. the goods of Andrew Jerdein, Eſq.

WILLIAM BAYLEY *ſworn.*

I am Mr. Jerdein's coachman. On the 29th of May laſt, I loſt a coat from the coach-houſe. About twelve at noon I ſaw the priſoner and another man in a ſailor's dreſs: after I had put the coach in the coach-houſe, I went up to ſhift myſelf, and I came down and miſſed the coat.

JOSHUA BATEMAN *ſworn.*

I overtook the priſoner at the bar with the

the coat on him, and took him, and delivered it to the coachman.

(The coat produced, and depoſed to.)

Priſoner. I was coming over Moorfields, and I ſaw a lad chuck it away, and I picked it up; and I went back into the ſtable-yard, and there was a woman ſaid I was not the perſon who took it.

(The priſoner called one witneſs, who gave him a good character.)

GUILTY.

Whipped.

Tried by the London Jury before Mr. Juſtice BULLER.

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321. WILLIAM PERRY was indicted for feloniouſly ſtealing, on the 21ſt day of April laſt, in the dwelling-houſe of William Herbert, 20l. the proper monies of William Herbert, one bank-note, value 30l. one other bank-note, value 10l. and one other bank-note, value 10l. his property.

WILLIAM HERBERT *ſworn.*

I keep the Fountain in Shire Lane. The priſoner came in, and called for a pint of beer; I aſked him to ſit down in the bar; he came in, and had another pint, and I aſked him to have ſome tea; and after that he had another pint. During the time he was there, I had recourſe frequently to the bag in which the bank-notes and caſh were, to give change, which was kept in a drawer. After ſome time the priſoner went out, and ſaid he would come in again and pay for his beer; he did not return. I ſaw him about ſix weeks afterwards; I aſked him what he had been doing with himſelf all that time; he ſaid he hoped I would forgive him. I ſaw him firſt at Union Hall, and afterwards at Bow-ſtreet. (The confeſſion produced.) William Perry ſigned it, and ſo did I.

(The voluntary examination and confeſſion of William Perry read.)

(The priſoner made no defence.)

GUILTY, Death.

Tried by the firſt Middleſex Jury before Mr. Juſtice BULLER.

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322. JOHN STONEHAM was indicted for burglariouſly and feloniouſly breaking and entering the dwelling-houſe of Richard Matthew, Penelope Matthew, ſpinſter, and Rebecca Matthew, ſpinſter, about the hour of ten in the night, on the 30th of June laſt, and burglariouſly ſtealing therein three yards of ſilk, value 10s. and ſeven ſilk handkerchiefs, value 30s. their properties.

RICHARD MATTHEW *ſworn.*

I am a haberdaſher in Oxford-ſtreet, in partnerſhip with my two ſiſters, Penelope and Rebecca: we have a houſe between us. The glaſs of the ſhop-window was broke laſt Saturday evening near eleven: one of the witneſſes and another lad were in the ſhop; I was in the parlour at ſupper; I heard the glaſs crack, and went to the door; I miſſed ſome goods; I could not tell what, but they were brought back, and were my property; a piece of ſilk, a remnant, and 7 ſilk handkerchiefs; they were in the window, and brought back again. The priſoner was taken to the watch-houſe; I did not ſee him there: this is the ſilk, it is mine.

—— DODRY *ſworn.*

I produced theſe ſeven handkerchiefs; I ran out; I live about forty yards off; I heard the cry of Stop thief! and a woman gave me the handkerchiefs; I never ſaw the

the priſoner till after he was taken; the woman is not here; ſhe knew me, but I hardly knew her in the confuſion.

WILLIAM REDMAN *ſworn.*

I was ſtanding in the ſhop; I heard the breaking of the window; I ran out and followed him, and in Great Argyle-ſtreet he was taken; I loſt ſight of him in turning the corner; I ſaw him running; I had not ſeen his face; I cannot tell whether the man that was taken in Argyle-ſtreet was the ſame that was in the ſhop.

ROBERT PRATT *ſworn.*

On Saturday evening I was croſſing Swallow-ſtreet to Mr. Matthew's door, and heard the glaſs break; I ſaw the priſoner running acroſs Oxford-ſtreet, nigh King-ſtreet, and I ſaw him throw this piece of ſarſenet facing Sharp the brewer's; I followed him; he turned up Little Argyle-ſtreet into Great Argyle-ſtreet, and took up this piece of ſarſenet, and gave it to Mr. Shepherd, wine merchant, Oxford Road. I ſaw the priſoner taken by the watchman and another: I am ſure the priſoner was the man that I ſaw running from Mr. Matthew's ſhop; I knew him by his running and his clothes; Mr. Shepherd gave it immediately to Matthew's; I ſaw him.

Proſecutor. I have had it ever ſince; I had no other piece of the kind.

THOMAS CLAIR *ſworn.*

I was in Mr. Dodry's warehouſe, my maſter, on Saturday night, about eleven. I heard a window break; I ſaw the priſoner run acroſs the road with ſomething in his hand; he dropped it; I ſaw a man pick it up; I was cloſe to him; I followed him to Apple-ſtreet, where he was taken by a man with a baſket.

——— SMITH *ſworn.*

I was croſſing Oxford Road on Saturday evening with Robert Platt; I heard the window break, and I immediately ſaid to him, take up the pieces, and I ſaw a young man dragging ſomething out of the window; Robert Platt and me followed immediately, and two more men; and I rather retreated back; I thought thoſe two fellows belonged to him; and before I could get up to him, he was taken. I am ſure the priſoner was the perſon that took it from the window; it was a moon-light night, and the ſhop had candles; I ſaw him run acroſs as well as from the window.

JAMES MORRENNE *ſworn.*

I am a watchman. I heard a cry of Stop thief! and the priſoner came following paſt my box; I ſprung my rattle; he was coming out of one of the houſes; he fell down, and I got hold of him, and took him to the watch-houſe.

PRISONER's DEFENCE.

I had been along with a captain to the Weſt Indies, to Bridge Town in Barbadoes; I had been gone about ten months; it was with Captain Carey, of Blackheath. A lad, that was on board the ſame ſhip with me, met me one day after I left my place, in Berwick-ſtreet: he told me he was a plaſterer, and would get me a maſter. I had been after him; and coming down Oxford-ſtreet, I heard the alarm, and I ran, and ſome gentlemen knocked me down, and a mob came round me, and they picked me up; I do not know where the ſhop is; I have no witneſſes.

Death. (Aged 16.)

Proſecutor. I wiſh to recommend him to mercy, on account of his youth.

Tried by the ſecond Middleſex Jury before Mr. Juſtice BULLER.

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323. WILLIAM SMITH was indicted for feloniouſly aſſaulting John Proctor on the king's highway, on the 31ſt of May laſt, and putting him in fear, and feloniouſly taking from his perſon, and againſt his will, a ſilver watch, value 20s. a ſteal ſeal, value 1d. a ſtone ſeal ſet in metal, value 2d. and a ſilk ribbon, value 2d. his property.

JOHN PROCTOR *ſworn.*

I am coachman to Mr. How, Theobald's Road. I was robbed in Little Queen-ſtreet, Holborn, the laſt day of May, a little after ten at night, by one perſon as I was walking home; it was the priſoner. He came up to me, and caught me by the collar, and ſtopped me, pulled me down, and took me up again, and took away my watch: I ran after him down Parker's Lane; a gentleman knocked up his heels, and before he got up, I took him: he never was out of my ſight, nor as far off as I am from you: a boy picked up the watch, who is here. The priſoner aſked me where I was going; I ſaid I was going home, what was that to him; ſo he made no more to do but puſhed me down, and pulled me up again, and took away my watch.

JOHN M'COY *ſworn.*

About half paſt ten I heard Stop thief! and the proſecutor had hold of the priſoner by the hair; I took him into charge.

THOMAS BRESNER *ſworn.*

About a quarter paſt ten I heard a rattle ſprang; I ran and aſſiſted to apprehend the priſoner; the proſecutor and the watchman had hold of him: in a few minutes after, a little boy came in and depoſited the watch with the keeper of the watch-houſe.

VALENTINE RUMLEY *ſworn.*

I am watch-houſe-keeper of St. Giles's in the Fields. I produce the watch; I received it from the landlord belonging to this little boy, as the boy was ſo young, and

and his parents poor, he thought it would not be ſafe; I think the boy was with him at the time.

(A little Boy ſet up.)

Court. How old are you?—Twelve years old this ſummer.

Court. Do you know the nature of an oath?—No.

Court, Do you know what it is you are called upon to ſpeak when you ſwear?—I do not know the nature of an oath.

Court. Do you know whether it is right or wrong to tell lies?—I will ſpeak what is truth.

Court. Is it right or wrong to tell a lie?—It is not a lie.

Court. Is it right or wrong for any body to tell a lie?—It is not right.

(Sworn.)

Court. Now mind you are ſworn to tell the truth, that is, you appeal to God, that what you ſay is truth.—Yes. I was in my ſhirt on the 31ſt of May. I live in Newtener's Lane, at a coal-ſhed, that goes into Croſs Lane, and Croſs Lane goes into Parker's Lane, and Parker's Lane goes into Queen-ſtreet. I ran down in my ſhirt; I heard the rattle ſprung, and I ſaw this gentleman give charge of that man; and juſt as he took charge of him, a woman ſaid, "May be you may find the watch." There was a good many looking beſides me, and I looked and I found it laying between two tubs in Parker's Lane; I called out for our landlord, and gave it to him, for there were a whole parcel of blackguards about me; I thought they would take it from me, and our landlord carried it up to the watch-houſe, and gave it to that gentleman there.

(The watch produced and depoſed to.)

PRISONER's DEFENCE.

As I was going along, I had been of an errand, I heard a great cry of Stop thief! a gentleman came and knocked me down, and this man came up and ſaid to me, "You raſcal, you have robbed me!" I have not a ſoul; I have lately come from ſea.

GUILTY, Death.

Tried by the ſecond Middleſex Jury before Mr. Juſtice BULLER.

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324. WILLIAM MEAD and JOSEPH JONES were indicted for feloniouſly ſtealing, on the 14th day of July, one black mare, of the price of 21l. the property of John Wakefield.

(The witneſſes examined ſeparate.)

(The caſe opened by Mr. Garrow.)

JOHN WAKEFIELD *ſworn.*

I am a baker. I turned my mare into the field on the 14th of July, about nine o'clock, between nine and ten, and ſhe was miſſing by twelve at night.

JOSEPH BOWELL *ſworn.*

I am a publican, and have dealt in horſes. I bought a mare of Holbrook; the priſoner Mead was in company. I gave 19 guineas and another horſe for her; I ſold her to the Reverend Dr. Biſhop, and in three or four days I was applied to by Mr. Wakefield, and got her back from the doctor. I went into Newgate to ſee the priſoners, and I ſaid in the gaol I did not know either of the priſoners, but I was frightened.

JOSEPH HOLBROOK *ſworn.*

I have been a Lawyer. I have known the priſoner five years; I ſtole Mr. Wakefield's mare on the 14th of July out of Mr. Wakefield's field, and put her into a ſtable till I could get another, which I did immediately, and at one the ſame morning we ſet off and came to Taddle Houſe, near Frome in Somerſetſhire. When we came to Mr. Bowell's, he ſaid, You have a fine mare, will you ſell her? I ſaid I would;

but if he had another horſe, I would rather make a chop with him; I aſked him 35 guineas; he ſaid the money was too much; he gave me 19 guineas and a poney; the 19 guineas was ſhared among four of us; we went into the country to commit a robbery. I have been in this line of thieving 18 months; I believe I have ſtolen 12 or 13 horſes; I never ſaid I did not mean to hurt the priſoner Mead; I never ſaid ſo to Dixon or Bruce; I never was in cuſtody in my life before.

EDWARD LUCAS *ſworn.*

I am an officer; I went to Taddle Houſe, and found the mare.

Priſoner Mead. I have lived in credit 16 or 18 years; and I have people to teſtify that Holbrook ſaid he did not want to hurt me, and that what he had ſaid was to ſave his own life.

Priſoner Jones. I never received a farthing; and it cannot be ſuppoſed I would ſteal this or other horſes without benefit to myſelf.

JOHN OWEN *ſworn.*

Lucas brought two men to Newgate, Bowell was one of them; I was ordered by Mr. Akerman to ſhew them the priſoners; I turned them into the yard, where there were ſeveral people, and went in with them, and walked backwards and forwards; and Mr. Bowell ſaid, no, he did not know any one; there were twenty people in the yard at leaſt.

THOMAS DIXON *ſworn.*

I am a coal-dealer. I know Holbrook and the priſoners; Holbrook called upon me ſince the priſoners had their hearing; I aſked him what would become of Mead; he ſaid he had nothing to ſay againſt him, for he had never done any thing with him; as for Jones, he was ſure to be a dead man, and that what he had ſaid before the magiſtrate was for the ſake of his own liberty. I was ſubpœnaed laſt Tueſday night.

SQUIRE BRUCE *ſworn.*

I am a rope-maker. I was in company with Dixon when Holbrook ſaid that he could not hurt Mead, not a hair of his head; and what he ſaid himſelf was only to ſave himſelf; this converſation was in the tap-room.

Lucas. When Bowell came out of the gaol, he ſaid he did not know any body there.

——— FIELD *ſworn.*

I have known Mead ſix years; I never knew any harm of him; he was impriſoned in Newgate for debt.

(The examination of Holbrook before the Juſtice read.)

The Jury retired for ſome time, and returned with a verdict,

WILLIAM MEAD, GUILTY, Death.
JOSEPH JONES, NOT GUILTY.

Tried by the firſt Middleſex Jury before Mr. Juſtice BULLER.

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325. HENRY SMITH was indicted for ſtealing on the 15th of May, one umbrella, value 6s. the property of Thomas Bradley.

THOMAS BRADLEY *ſworn.*

On the 15th of May, I loſt an umbrella from my door in the Strand: the priſoner was taken in the courſe of a minute with the umbrella in his hand.

(Depoſed to.)

Priſoner. I found the umbrella.

JOSEPH MUCHMARSH *ſworn.*

I ſaw the priſoner take the umbrella off the hook.

GUILTY. Whipped.

Tried by the firſt Middleſex Jury before Mr. Juſtice BULLER.

326. MARY

326. MARY STINSTON and MARIA SMITH were indicted for feloniouſly ſtealing on the 27th of April laſt, ſix yards of muſlin, value 12s. a yard and half of other muſlin, value 12s. a pair of worſted ſtockings, value 16d. the property of Thomas Barrett, privately in his ſhop.

(The witneſſes examined ſeparate.)

THOMAS BARRETT *ſworn.*

I am a linen-draper in Great Chapel-ſtreet, Weſtminſter: on the 27th of April I loſt ſome muſlin from my ſhop; ſix yards, and one yard and half, in different pieces, value 12s. 6 yards at 2s. 1d. and a yard and half, at 8s. The two priſoners came in about the middle of the day; I knew Mary Stinſton before; they aſked for ſome Iriſh at 1s. per yard, and the boy who is here, ſold them ſome; he firſt aſked them if they would not go to 14d. they ſaid no higher than a ſhilling; and he fetched ſome cloth from the other ſide of the counter to ſhew them; there were ſome muſlins on the counter lay ſome little diſtance from them, and they conveyed by ſome means the muſlins to them.

Did you ſee them do that?—No. I miſſed them before they were gone out of the ſhop, by the boy warning me of it. I went round the counter, and told them I believed they had ſome of my property about them; they ſaid they had not; I told them I had reaſon to believe that they had, and I would charge a conſtable with them; and the priſoner, Mary Stinſton, ſaid to Maria Smith, if ſhe had got any thing of mine; ſhe deſired ſhe would pull it out of her pocket again; ſhe denied ſhe had any, and a little after ſhe pulled out this muſlin out of her pocket, ſix yards of muſlin, and one yard and half, and a pair of black ſtockings, dropped from under the peak of Maria Smith's ſtays. I ſaw nothing from Stinſton at all; the conſtable came and ſearched them, and they were committed.

Mr. Garrow, priſoner's counſel. I obſerve they were committed on petty larceny for 10d. You have known Mrs. Stinſton ſome time?—Yes.

Had ſhe been a cuſtomer at your ſhop?—Yes.

A very reſpectable family?—For aught I know.

Nothing was found upon her?—Only a great quantity of muſlin under her feet.

They were ſtanding near each other?—Yes.

JOSEPH SIMMONDS *ſworn.*

I live with Mr. Barrett. I was in the ſhop when the priſoners came there: Mary Stinſton aſked me for ſome cloth of a ſhilling a yard; ſhe bought ſome. I loſt ſome muſlin which was a good diſtance from the Iriſh, but it was within reach.

Did you ſee either of them take up the muſlin?—No.

Did they ſay any thing about muſlin, or look at it, or obſerve?—No.

You never ſaw either of them touch the muſlin at all?—No.

When did you diſcover that the muſlin was gone?—A good bit after; I gave my maſter intimation of it, and he came round to the priſoner, and told her to deliver up what ſhe had got; that was Maria Smith; nothing was delivered up but by her.

JOHN WOODWARD *ſworn.*

I am the conſtable: theſe things were delivered to me, and I have kept them ever ſince.

(Depoſed to.)

The priſoner, Mary Stinſton, called two witneſſes, who gave her a very good character.

MARY STINSTON, NOT GUILTY.
MARIA SMITH, GUILTY, Death.

Tried by the firſt Middleſex Jury before Mr. Juſtice BULLER.

327. JOHN DAVIS and WILLIAM LIGHTWOOD were indicted for feloniously aſſaulting George Murray on the king's highway, on the 28th of May laſt, and putting him in fear and danger of his life, and feloniouſly taking from his perſon, and againſt his will, three half-crowns, one ſixpence, and a halfpenny, his property.

GEORGE MURRAY *ſworn.*

I am a ſoldier in the 1ſt regiment. As I was going home in Spun-yard, from Mr. Watſon's Wharf, St. Catherine's, I was knocked down and loſt all my money; I had three half crowns, ſixpence and a halfpenny; they took it out of my pocket, the 28th of May about half after nine o'clock: I received the firſt blow in a place called the Dark-entry, Lower Eaſt Smithfield; the blow was on the left ear. I was in the action of ſtooping; the place is not high enough to walk upright; that blow flung me forward, as I was coming out of the entry; the priſoner in the blue great coat (Davis) ſtruck me in the ſtomach and brought me againſt the pavement, which rendered me inſenſible. I never ſaw the other man to my knowledge, nor Davis; I was not in liquor. I never got my money again.

ANN FISHER *ſworn.*

I ſaw the young man (Davis) uſe the proſecutor very ill, and hit him ſeveral times; he hit him with his fiſt: I did not ſee him take any thing from him; and I ſaw the other priſoner (Lightwood) kick him with his foot; that was after Davis was gone away.

Court. Then Davis was gone quite off before Lightwood kicked him?—Yes, but Davis whiſtled to his dog; I ſaid, here he is; the tall man (Lightwood) went ſtraight up the yard.

ROBERT DAWSON *ſworn.*

I only apprehended the priſoner; Bear and me were together, and the priſoners were both together in St. Catherine's-lane. We found nothing upon them.

PRISONER DAVIS's DEFENCE.

I know no more about it than the child unborn: if I had I ſhould never have gone to the ſame place the next day; the proſecutor is very much given to liquor, and he was in a drunken caſe; he cannot give ſo good an evidence. My friends live in Yorkſhire; I have never a ſoul in the world.

PRISONER LIGHTWOOD's DEFENCE.

I cannot ſay I was near the place.

JOHN DAVIS, GUILTY, Death.
WM. LIGHTWOOD, NOT GUILTY.

Tried by the firſt Middleſex Jury before Mr. JUSTICE BULLER.

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328. RICHARD M'GOWING and MICHAEL SCANDLING were indicted for burglariouſly and feloniouſly breaking and entering the dwelling-houſe of Abraham Moſes, about the hour of twelve in the night, on the 25th of June laſt, and burglariouſly ſtealing therein, a cloth coat, value 4s. four cloth jackets, value 18s. a pair of woollen ſtriped breeches, value 8s. five ſhirts, value 15s. two ſilk handkerchiefs, value 7s. a pair of cloth trowſers, value 6d. a pair of linen drawers, value 6d. a ſheet, value 1s. and an iron window-pin, value 1d. his property.

(The witneſſes examined ſeparate.)

ABRAHAM MOSES *ſworn.*

I live at No. 68, Cable-ſtreet; I am a ſaleſman. I went to bed, Monday week at night, about eleven. I ſaw my houſe faſtened forwards and backwards; my children lay in the ſhop; I lay up one pair of ſtairs: the next morning at ſeven I called to my eldeſt boy; I miſſed his clothes, and ſome jackets and ſhirts. I went down ſtairs and miſſed the things in the indictment, and the

the pin out of the ſhutter; the ſhutter was put up again; there is no glaſs window; the pin was faſtened with a key, but no ſtring, and I ſuppoſe the key fell out in turning the pin round; I ſaw it faſtened myſelf before I went to bed; I make it a general rule. The next morning I heard of the things by two officers going to Juſtice Staples's; the priſoners were in cuſtody.

THOMAS IVERS *ſworn.*

I am a patrole; (produces ſome of the things) I ſtopped them on Michael Scandling about half after one, or nigh two, at Saltpetre Bank; the other priſoner was with him; they were both ſecured: M'Gowing had another ſmall bundle which contained theſe child's breeches and a jacket, on his back, which the proſecutor owned.

Proſecutor. I am poſitively ſure to the child's clothes and theſe breeches and the jacket and trowſers.

Mr. Garrow, priſoner's counſel. The priſoners wiſh to know how often you have been in cuſtody within theſe two years?—I do not know that I was in cuſtody.

About four years ago you was not in cuſtody for being concerned with a deſperate gang of water-pirates?—Whether I was in cuſtody; I was not in cuſtody; I was taken, for they ſaid they ſold me things.

Was you ever in cuſtody about ſome Pruſſian blue?—Why that is the ſame affair.

Was you ever committed from Litchfield-ſtreet for robbery, for which you at preſent ſtand indicted?—Was I committed for robbery, I never was committed for no robbery.

You never was in Litchfield-ſtreet, perhaps?—Not as I know of.

Do you mean to ſwear you was not?—That I was not committed; why there was ſomething that ſomebody ſaid.

Is there, at this time, an indictment againſt you for it?—Not as I know of.

How long is it ſince you was admitted a witneſs in Worſhip-ſtreet, about ſome calico; how long ago is that?—Mr. Garrow, if you will give me leave one thing, was I not to come here at all.

Anſwer the queſtion, how long is it ſince you was admitted a witneſs for the crown in Hog-lane or in Worſhip-ſtreet, for it bears both names, I believe about ſome calico?—I believe that is about eighteen months ago.

How long is it?—Why how long do you think.

How long do I think!—You never was charged for any thing of the archbiſhop's plate?—No, Sir, any thing more?

Yes, a great deal more, maſter Moſes? how long is it ſince you was taken for purchaſing a cheſt of tea that had been ſtolen?—I know nothing at all about it.

Do you mean to ſwear that; becauſe though this is paſſing off pretty eaſily, there is a ſhorthand-writer taking down your anſwers?—I never purchaſed any.

That is an anſwer to my queſtion; have you never been charged with it?—I might have been charged with it, but I never bought any.

Is Mrs. Moſes at this time indicted?—I will tell you, gentlemen of the jury, if a man has been guilty once of a fault, he is always guilty; I can bring you ſufficient houſekeepers in our pariſh; I will take particular care if a man has been guilty once of a thing that he will never be guilty of again; I ſhall be very particular for the future.

How long is it ſince your wife was apprehended and taken to Shadwell-office, and kept in Elby's houſe for a robbery?—I will tell you how that is: we keep a ſhop; a woman came to our houſe, and begged and prayed (her huſband was preſſed) that we would buy an article, and it had the misfortune to be ſtolen; we are very particular now, and have been for this long time paſt.

Now I juſt read you the concluſion of what theſe poor men had been put in; they ſay they hope your Lordſhip will inſpect your manner; for that ſince New South Wales has been eſtabliſhed, you, Mr. Moſes, have been the cauſe of ſending more young

young men to that place, than all the officers of juſtice put together, which can be proved by John Cook, belonging to Mr. Staples's office, that your houſe has been ſearched very often for ſtolen goods, and that your houſe has been threatened to be indicted by your neighbours for a nuiſance.

Court. Call John Cook.

JOHN COOK *ſworn.*

Here is a jacket, a ſhirt, and coat; I found the jacket on the back of the priſoner Scandling, and the coat on the back of M'Gowing, on the 26th about nine in the morning, in the watchhouſe; I have kept it ever ſince.

Do you know Abraham Moſes?—Yes, I do.

What ſort of character has he?—Why his character is not very fairiſh.

Do you think that he is a man to be believed on his oath?—Why I never heard to the contrary to any thing not about being in a court.

But I aſk you where there is no reward?—I beg your pardon.

You and he have hunted in couples very often?—I never ſearched his houſe but once; I never had him in cuſtody.

RICHARD COOPER *ſworn.*

I was a watchman in Whitechapel; at about two in the morning, Thomas Ivers called me to his aſſiſtance; there were two men with two bundles; we took them to the watchhouſe.

JOSEPH WEST *ſworn.*

I produce a ſhirt which I took off M'Gowing's back the 26th of June in the morning, in the watchhouſe.

Moſes. This is my ſhirt with my name on it; I cannot ſwear to the jacket particularly; I believe the check ſhirt to be mine; but there may be more.

PRISONER M'GOWING's DEFENCE.

I met this young man in the ſtreet; he had theſe things; I aſked him the way to White-yard; I was juſt paid off a man of war; he ſaid he had ſome things; he found them, and I took ſome of them.

PRISONER SCANDLING's DEFENCE.

I had no money; I was going out to ſleep in the brick-field, and I picked up a bundle, and I met this young man; ſays I, ſhipmate I have found a bundle; here it is; do you know what to do with them, whether to take them or leave them; d—n me, ſays he, I would take them, and the man met us and took us.

RICHARD M'GOWING, MICHAEL SCANDLING, } GUILTY, 39s.

Tranſported for ſeven years.

Tried by the firſt Middleſex Jury before Mr. Juſtice BULLER.

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329. JOHN DENHAM was indicted for feloniouſly ſtealing on the 25th of June laſt, four printed bound books, called Peregrine Pickle, value 4s. the goods of John Prieſtley.

JOHN PRIESTLEY *ſworn.*

I am a bookſeller; I live at No. 143, High Holborn. I loſt the books from a ſhew-board on Tueſday the 25th of June, between five and ſix; they were entitled Peregrine Pickle. I ſaw them at the Juſtice's about a fortnight afterwards.

ELISHA YEA *ſworn.*

On the 26th of June, between five and ſix, I ſaw the priſoner go by my door with ſome books in his hand, which he was putting under his coat; I ſuppoſed he had ſtolen them, and cried out ſtop thief! he ran and dropped the books; I picked them up; they are duodecimos, called Peregrine Pickle.

(Produced and depoſed to.)

Priſoner.

Priſoner. My Lord, I found the books in the ſtreet, two or three yards from the door, ſcattered about.

GUILTY, (Aged 20.)

Whipped.

Tried by the firſt Middleſex Jury before Mr. RECORDER.

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330. JOHN WILLIAMS was indicted for ſtealing on the 2d day of June laſt, one cloth-box coat, value 40s. the property of John Cookſon, Eſq. one other cloth-box coat, value 40s. the property of Elizabeth Cookſon.

THOMAS SHEWBREAD *ſworn.*

I am coachman to Mrs. Cookſon; one of the coats belongs to her, and one to her ſon, John Cookſon, Eſq. I ſaw the coats at Sir Sampſon Wright's, about half paſt nine on Tueſday the 5th of June, in the morning. I had ſeen them the laſt time about nine o'clock on Saturday evening; they are not both alike, the capes are different. I am ſure they are the coats of my maſter and miſtreſs.

JAMES LUCAS *ſworn.*

I am a coachman to Mr. Cookſon; I miſſed my coat off the box; they were miſſed at the ſame time. I know the coats; I ſaw them at Bow-ſtreet on the 10th of June.

BARNARD BARNARD *ſworn.*

I am an old clothes-man by trade: on the 4th of June the priſoner at the bar called me to buy a couple of coats; he was in a publick-houſe in Dyot-ſtreet, St. Giles's; he took me out of the tap-room into a little back-room; his wife was by, and he bolted me into the room; I was alarmed; he aſked me 30s. I bid him a guinea; he ſaid 30s. I went to Bow-ſtreet and told Mr. Kennedy; I went to the houſe and got the clothes in my bag; I told him to come with me, and a friend of mine ſhould pay for them. I went out of the houſe and he with me; Kennedy came up, and the priſoner ran away; he was taken next day; he is the man; he did not ſay how he came by the coats.

CHRISTOPHER KENNEDY *ſworn.*

I am an officer belonging to Bow-ſtreet. Barnard Barnard came for me, and I went to the Noah's Ark in Dyot-ſtreet, St. Giles's. Barnard went into a back-yard, and I ſaw the priſoner deliver theſe two coats to Barnard, and he put them into his bag. The priſoner made his eſcape; I took the coats and advertiſed them; theſe ſervants came and ſaid they were their maſter's property; next morning I went to Dyot-ſtreet, and took the priſoner out of bed.

THOMAS PLANCK *ſworn.*

I am a watchman. When I went my rounds on the Saturday night, half paſt ten, the coachhouſe was faſt; at half paſt twelve the doors were open; there was no appearance of violence.

(The coats produced and depoſed to.)

Priſoner. Kennedy ſaid at Bow-ſtreet to the Jew, "You ſtand to what you have ſaid, and we ſhall get 40l."

Kennedy. I never thought of ſuch a thing, my Lord; I did not ſay ſo.

GUILTY. (Aged 24.)

Tranſported for ſeven years.

Tried by the firſt Middleſex Jury before Mr. RECORDER.

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331. ROBERT SCAIFE was indicted for ſtealing, on the 8th day of June laſt, three linen ſhirts, value 6s. the property of James White.

JAMES WHITE *ſworn.*

I am a labourer: I loſt three ſhirts; I live at Longford; the ſhirts were hung in the orchard; they were loſt about three weeks ago.

——— RIDDINGHAM *ſworn.*

I received theſe ſhirts from Mr. Fellowes, the magiſtrate.

(Produced.)

James White. I know the ſhirts by the buttons.

Riddingham. The proſecutor gave me charge of the priſoner, and gave me the ſhirts.

Mr. FILLER *ſworn.*

I ſaw the priſoner take the ſhirts off the line, and drag them to a ditch, and I purſued and took them.

GUILTY. (Aged 20.)

Whipped.

Tried by the ſecond Middleſex Jury before Mr. Juſtice BULLER.

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332. THOMAS MOBBS was indicted for ſtealing, on the 28th of June, five linen table-cloths, value 3l. a linen napkin, and a pair of cotton ſtockings, value 2s. the goods of Hugh Biddick.

MARY BIDDICK *ſworn.*

I am wife to Hugh Biddick; I loſt four table-cloths in the evening of the 28th of June.

MARY BIDDICK, jun. *ſworn.*

I went on an errand, and on my return I ſaw a man coming out of the houſe with a bundle upon his arm; I ran to my mother and alarmed her; when I went out the things were ſafe, when I came back they were all gone.

RICHARD COOPER *ſworn.*

I heard the alarm of Mrs. Biddick. I followed to the corner of Bryanſton-ſtreet; I ſaw three men at the corner; the priſoner ran up Orchard-ſtreet, and I purſued; then I met him in Somerſet-ſtreet.

JAMES TAYLOR *ſworn.*

I live at a publick-houſe. I ſaw the priſoner and two men lurking about the houſe; I thought they were upon no good, and I watched them, and I ſaw the priſoner have a bundle; then I ſaw them at the corner of Bryanſton-ſtreet tying up the clothes.

GUILTY. (Aged 19.)

Tranſported for ſeven years.

Tried by the ſecond Middleſex Jury before Mr. Juſtice BULLER.

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333. CHARLES DOUGLAS and RICHARD MAYS were indicted for ſtealing, on the 6th day of June laſt, ten pounds weight of cheeſe, value 4s. the goods of Elizabeth Hales.

ELIZABETH HALES *ſworn.*

I loſt my property about three weeks ago; the cheeſe weighed about ten pounds: I am a widow; they came in and called for a pint of beer, and began playing at Juſtice Jarvis; Mays paid me, and the other went out firſt and took the cheeſe; my neighbours ſaw the cheeſe in the poſſeſſion of the *old gentleman.*

(The cheeſe produced and depoſed to.)

A WITNESS *ſworn.*

I was at work in the neighbourhood; Mrs. Hales ſaid they have robbed me; I purſued them and took the cheeſe from Mays; they tried to get away, but I being ſtrong in the arms, held him faſt.

FRANCIS

FRANCIS BINNS *ſworn.*

I ſaw the man Douglas come out with the cheeſe under his coat; I ſaw them brought back to the publick-houſe.

GUILTY.

Six months in the houſe of correction, fined 1s.

Tried by the ſecond Middleſex Jury before Mr. Juſtice BULLER.

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334. WILLIAM THOMPSON was indicted for ſtealing, on the 1ſt day of June, five linen handkerchiefs, value 5s. and one muſlin handkerchief, value 1s. the goods of Charles Clements.

SARAH CLEMENTS *ſworn.*

I am the wife of Charles Clements: the things mentioned in the indictment were in a drawer; I found ſome of the things dropped on the floor, and one on the bureau; I had ſeen them about an hour before; when I came home I found the priſoner in my room; and he ſaid he wanted to have his ſhoes mended, and aſked for Vernon.

THOMAS WHEELER *ſworn.*

I am conſtable: Mr. Clements called me to his houſe; I found the drawers open, and the things ſcattered upon the floor.

Priſoner. I cut my ſhoe in coming from Chelſea, and I ripped my ſhoe; I thought it a pity to loſe my ſhoes for 5d. or 6d. and I inquired for a perſon to mend it, and they directed me to that houſe. I have the ſhoes on now.

Wheeler. There was nothing found upon the priſoner but a duplicate; no pick-lock keys, or any thing of the ſort.

GUILTY.

Recommended to mercy by the jury.

Fined 1s. *and impriſoned ſix months.*

Tried by the ſecond Middleſex Jury before Mr. Juſtice BULLER.

335. RICHARD BRIDE was indicted for ſtealing, on the 9th of June laſt, an amethyſt ring with two diamond ſparks, value 25s. a gold enamelled locket, value 11s. and a ſilver medal, value 5s. the property of Robert Evans.

ROBERT EVANS *ſworn.*

I am a goldbeater in Long Acre: I went out of town on Friday the 8th of June, and left orders to have the windows cleaned. I locked up my bureau, and the next day found it was broken open; the ring, and locket and medal were produced, which were mine; whether or not any thing elſe was loſt I cannot ſay; the bureau was broke open.

MARY DAVIS *ſworn.*

I live with the laſt witneſs; the priſoner was employed to clean the windows. I went out.

JOHN BECK HEATHER *ſworn.*

I am a pawnbroker in Long Acre: the priſoner brought this ring to my ſhop to ſell, and I ſuſpected him; I ſtopped it; I ſaid this ring belongs to Mr. Evans the goldbeater; ſays he, what, you are one of the thieving glaziers, are you, that go about in a morning, and I took him into cuſtody.

MOSES MORANT *ſworn.*

Produced a medal and locket which he took from the priſoner.

(The ring depoſed to.)

Priſoner. I found them in Drury-lane, wrapped up in a piece of paper.

Court to Mr. Heather. What time did he bring the ring to you?—At about half after nine.

Court to Mary Davis. What time did he go away from cleaning the windows?—About half after eight.

GUILTY.

Tranſported for ſeven years.

Tried by the ſecond Middleſex Jury before Mr. Juſtice BULLER.

336. JOHN

336. JOHN SPENCER, was indicted for ſtealing, on the 12th of June laſt, ſix linen ſhifts bodies, value 4s. four aprons, value 8s. a velveret waiſtcoat, value 2s. and a pair of velveret breeches, value 5s. the property of William Thomas.

And LETITIA STEVENS and SARAH MASON were indicted for receiving the ſaid goods, knowing them to be ſtolen.

WILLIAM THOMAS *ſworn.*

I am a broker in Maiden-lane; the priſoner Spencer worked for me a month: I loſt the things; they were taken from a cloſet.

The different pawnbrokers produced the things pawned by the other priſoners.

(The things depoſed to.)

JOHN SPENCER, GUILTY.

Tranſported for ſeven years.

LETITIA STEVENS, SARAH MASON, (Aged 16.) } GUILTY.

Tranſported for fourteen years.

Tried by the ſecond Middleſex Jury before Mr. Juſtice BULLER.

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337. GEORGE LEVER was indicted for ſtealing, on the 22d day of June laſt, two pounds and an half of indigo, value 20s. the goods of William Scott and William Stonehewers.

THOMAS WILSON *ſworn.*

I am ſervant to William Scott and William Stonehewer. The priſoner was porter to Meſſrs. Scott and Stonehewer: on the 22d of June, I ſaw the priſoner about half after ſeven in the evening. I went to waſh myſelf as uſual; the priſoner paſſed me; he went into the warehouſe and I followed him; he put off his working-jacket and dirty apron, and put on his clean ones; and he ſaid to me, I will not waſh myſelf till I get home; I ſaid very well: I ſtopped in the one pair of ſtairs warehouſe while he ſhut the top warehouſes; it was his buſineſs ſo to do; after he had ſhut up the top warehouſes I heard a ruſtling among ſome papers; I came down and informed John Mayhew and Benjamin Hay; we all went up; the priſoner was then in the yard; he came into the yard and began to play among us; he put his hand into his coat pocket, and we were all convinced he had nothing; then the clerks went away; the priſoner then went up to the one pair of ſtairs warehouſe, and he came down again, and I could obſerve ſomething in his left hand pocket; I told the clerks, and they thought as I did; I ſaid we will all go home; the priſoner ſtopped before me, and I went cloſe behind him. John Mayhew and Benjamin Hay were ſtanding at the door; Mayhew ſtopped him; he put his hand into his pocket, pulled out a parcel, and bid me untye it: I untyed the parcel and laid it down on the floor; it contained Spaniſh indigo; the priſoner was ſtopped till the conſtable was ſent for; it was the ſame kind of indigo as was kept in that warehouſe. I can ſay it was Meſſrs. Scott and Stonehewer's property.

Mr. Garrow. Did you tell the lord mayor all that you ſay now?—I believe I told him great part.

Did you tell the lord mayor about the wreſtling?—No, not the whole of it.

Whether you was not diſtinctly aſked before the lord mayor, whether you would venture to ſwear, whether this might not have been in his pocket when he went up ſtairs the ſecond time?—I ſay it could not be in his pocket.

How long is it ſince you was before the lord mayor?—Near about a week. He was a ſteady man, had not been drinking; we had three pots of beer among four.

JOHN MAYHEW *ſworn.*

Late in the afternoon, Thompſon gave me information that he ſuſpected the priſoner: Mr. Hay and myſelf went into the warehouſe; Wilſon was with us. I looked at the priſoner and ſuppoſed there was ſomething in his pocket; on his leaving work, I ſaid George, you have ſome property which you ſhould not have; I took a parcel from his

his left hand coat pocket; he ſaid he did not know that he had any thing about him; I aſked him what made him be guilty of ſuch practices; he ſaid it was the firſt time, and deſired I would forgive him.

BENJAMIN HAY *ſworn.*

Corroborated the teſtimony of the laſt witneſs.

JOHN COX *ſworn.*

I produce the indigo; it has been in my cuſtody ever ſince.

Wilſon. This indigo is Meſſrs. Scott and Stonehewer's. It is damaged.

(Depoſed to.)

Priſoner. I leave it to my counſel.

The priſoner called nine witneſſes, who gave him a good character.

GUILTY.

Recommended by the jury to mercy, on account of his good character.

Tranſported for ſeven years.

Tried by the London Jury before Mr. RECORDER.

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338. JOHN DARBY was indicted for ſtealing on the 13th day of June laſt, one ſilver watch, value 35s. one piece of ſilk ribbon, value 1d. a braſs key, value 1d. the goods of William Holton.

WILLIAM HOLTON *ſworn.*

I am a brewer's ſervant: I loſt my watch on the 13th of June, on Wedneſday, between three and four in the afternoon; I had been at work; it was taken out of my drawer; I ſaw it next day at Bow-ſtreet.

SARAH HOLTON *ſworn.*

I am wife of the laſt witneſs; we live in Whiteroſe-alley; I ſaw my huſband's watch on Wedneſday in the drawer in my bedroom; the drawer was not locked; my huſband was out; I went down ſtairs, and left my room door open; I did not ſtop a minute; I opened the drawer between five and ſix o'clock, and miſſed the watch; the priſoner was an acquaintance of my huſband's; I left him in the room while I went down; he ſtopped about half an hour after I came up; the pawnbroker has the watch.

CHRISTOPHER LAMB *ſworn.*

I am a pawnbroker's ſervant; I took in a ſilver watch of the priſoner on the 13th of June, about ſix in the evening.

(Produced.)

JOHN FURNEAUX *ſworn.*

I am an officer; on Wedneſday evening I was applied to to apprehend the priſoner; I ſearched the priſoner, and found this pocket-book and duplicate on him.

(The watch depoſed to by the number 3379, and the key

Priſoner. Pleaſe your Lordſhip, I was in company with one Pat Covland, and he ſaid if I could pawn his watch we might have a drink.

GUILTY. (Aged 24.)

Tranſported for ſeven years.

Tried by the London Jury before Mr. RECORDER.

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339. FRANCIS GRUBB was indicted for ſtealing, on the 16th of June laſt, one mahogany tea-tray, value 30s. the property of Meſſrs. Folgram.

The priſoner was taken with the property.

GUILTY. (Aged 11.)

Whipped.

Tried by the London Jury before Mr. JUSTICE BULLER.

340. THOMAS PROCTOR, alias JOSEPH FRANCE was indicted for feloniously ſtealing, on the 22d of June laſt, five ſilver table ſpoons, value 55s. one deſſert ſpoon, value 3s. two tea ſpoons, value 3s. one plated ſaltholder, value 3s. the property of Andrew Baſilico, in the dwelling-houſe of Juſtinian Flexney.

ANDREW BASILICO *ſworn.*

I lodge with Mr. Flexney; I do not know his chriſtian name: I heard a great ſcreaming in the paſſage; I ran down ſtairs and ſaw the *gentleman* at the bar with my plate in his pocket. I ſent for a conſtable.

JUSTINIAN FLEXNEY *ſworn.*

I live in Jermyn-ſtreet; between eight and nine in the morning of the 22d of June I ſeized the priſoner at the ſtreet-door with the property.

THOMAS OXFORD *ſworn.*

I am the conſtable, I produce the ſpoons; I have kept them ever ſince; the priſoner was taken to Bow-ſtreet.

(Depoſed to.)

Priſoner. I leave it to my counſel.

The priſoner called three witneſſes, who gave him a good character.

GUILTY, Stealing, 39s.

(Aged 25.)

Tranſported for ſeven years.

Tried by the ſecond Middleſex Jury before Mr. Juſtice BULLER.

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341. JOHN JONES was indicted for ſtealing, on the 18th of June laſt, fourteen yards of black ſilk lace, value 30s. the property of Elizabeth Parker.

ELIZABETH PARKER *ſworn.*

I live at No. 3, Crown-court, Little Poultney-ſtreet; I keep a haberdaſher's and milliner's ſhop; on the 18th of June, I loſt fourteen yards and 3-quarters of black lace; I was in the parlour; the lace was at the ſhop window; the ſhop door was ſhut; I ſaw the priſoner and another man come with him, and he reached and took the card of lace; firſt put it into his pocket, and then gave it to the other man, and I caught hold of him and held him till the conſtable came; the other man ran away; I never got my lace.

RICHARD CATTLE *ſworn.*

I am conſtable; I took the priſoner.

Priſoner. Two other men took it.

GUILTY.

Tranſported for ſeven years.

Tried by the ſecond Middleſex Jury before Mr. Juſtice BULLER.

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342. WILLIAM MASSEY and JOHN SMEAD were indicted for ſtealing, on the 16th of June, ſome carpenter's tools, value 2s. the property of Joſeph Wood.

WILLIAM MASSEY, JOHN SMEAD, } GUILTY.

Tranſported for ſeven years.

Tried by the ſecond Middleſex Jury before Mr. Juſtice BULLER.

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343. SARAH PULSON and JANE DUNSTAN were indicted for ſtealing, on the 25th of June laſt, a watch with a ſilver caſe, value 30s. a ſteel watch-chain, value 12d. two keys, value 2d. the property of Michael M'Guire.

BOTH GUILTY.

Tranſported for ſeven years.

Tried by the ſecond Middleſex Jury before Mr. Juſtice BULLER.

344. ELIZABETH

344. ELIZABETH EGLINTON, alias MARY WHITE was indicted for ſtealing a blanket, a quilt, and other things, the property of John Hayes, in a lodging room.

GUILTY.

Fined 1s. *and impriſoned ſix months.*

Tried by the firſt Middleſex Jury before Mr. RECORDER.

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345. ANN JONES was indicted for ſtealing a pair of breeches, a child's great coat, and other things, value 10s. the property of John Harper.

The priſoner was taken with the things in her apron.

GUILTY.

Fined 1s. *and impriſoned three months.*

Tried by the firſt Middleſex Jury before Mr. RECORDER.

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346. WILLIAM PRICE was indicted for feloniouſly ſtealing, on the 28th day of May, two leather boots, value 10s. the goods of John Carter.

JAMES SAMUEL *ſworn.*

I carry on buſineſs for John Carter; the boots were miſſed from the window; a perſon came in and aſked me if I miſſed any boots; I ſaid yes, I miſſed two, or a pair; the conſtable brought the priſoner into the ſhop, who ſeemed unconcerned, and I ſaid, it is a pity you have no better method of living than by ſtealing.

JAMES ARMSTRONG *ſworn.*

I am ſervant to a pawnbroker; I took in theſe boots, and from the appearance of the man, and being odd boots, I ſtopped him, and ſent for an officer.

JOHN MILLER *ſworn.*

I took the priſoner and have kept the boots ever ſince.

(Produced and depoſed to.)

Priſoner. I hope you will forgive me.

GUILTY. Whipped.

Impriſoned ſix months.

Tried by the firſt Middleſex Jury before Mr. Juſtice BULLER.

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347. JOHN JOHNSON was indicted for ſtealing, on the 8th day of June laſt, a man's cloth coat, value 5s. the property of Charles Cleave.

JOHN TAW *ſworn.*

I am ſervant to Charles Cleave; I heard that a man had taken a coat, and was in the potatoe warehouſe; I went, and brought him to my maſter; and he told me to take him to Sir Laurence Cox; the coat hung on the outſide of the door.

GEORGE PARKER *ſworn.*

I ſaw a man take the coat off the place, and go into the potatoe ſhop, but I was thirty yards off, and cannot ſwear to the priſoner.

GUILTY. (Aged 22.)

Whipped.

Tried by the firſt Middleſex Jury before Mr. Juſtice BULLER.

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348. ELIZABETH DAVIS was indicted for ſtealing, on the 25th of April laſt, a ſilver watch, value 20s. a ſteel chain, value 2d. and one guinea, the property of John Price.

JOHN PRICE *ſworn.*

I live with Mr. Parke; I am his porter: I loſt my watch and money on the 25th of April;

April; I had been to Pimlico; I met the priſoner and another woman, and they aſked me to give them a glaſs of liquor; I did ſo; I went into Parker's-lane with them, I was ſleepy, I laid my head down, and I felt ſomething about my pockets, and I miſſed my watch and money, and ſaw the girl run out of the room; ſhe made her eſcape.

(The watch produced and depoſed to.)

I got the duplicate by telling her, I would make it eaſy to her.

HENRY PROSSER *ſworn.*

Mr. Price came to me the day after he was robbed; I went after her and found her; ſhe confeſſed at laſt ſhe had the watch and money of him, but it was all gone; ſo then I told her I would take her before a magiſtrate.

Priſoner. The proſecutor left me the watch till he called next day.

GUILTY. (Aged 19.)

Fined 1s. *and impriſoned three months.*

Tried by the firſt Middleſex Jury before Mr. Juſtice BULLER.

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349. JOSEPH JONES was indicted for ſtealing, on the 27th of February laſt, a bridle and ſaddle, value 10s. the property of James L'Homme.

JAMES L'HOMME *ſworn*

I loſt a bridle and ſaddle on the 27th of February; I got them again from Lucas.

EDWARD LUCAS *ſworn.*

I found Mr. L'Homme's bridle and ſaddle at Calne; I had it from Mr. Burgeſs.

RICHARD BURGESS *ſworn.*

That man, *Jack* Jones, brought a bridle and ſaddle to my miſtreſs's houſe; I gave him 15s. for it; I ſold it to a farmer for the ſame money I gave for it. I know the priſoner; I knew him when I came into court; I never ſaw him before that time.

(L'Homme depoſed to the bridle and ſaddle.)

I have had the ſaddle theſe three years.

JOSEPH HOLBROOK *ſworn.*

On the 27th of February, the priſoner Jones, and Bath and I, broke open the ſtable of Mr. L'Homme, and ſtole one horſe, a bridle and ſaddle, and rode the horſe into the country, and ſold it to one farmer Pellir.

Mr. Knowles. Did you always ſwear in that kind of way?—I always ſwore the ſame.

Priſoner. It is not feaſible that I ſhould go to ſteal things without fee or reward.

GUILTY.

Tranſported for ſeven years.

Tried by the firſt Middleſex Jury before Mr. Juſtice BULLER.

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350. ELIZABETH JAMES was indicted for ſtealing, on the 15th of April laſt, a linen gown, value 20s a muſlin ditto, value 15s. and divers other things, value 21s. and two guineas, the property of John Monk.

GUILTY.

Privately whipped.

Tried by the firſt Middleſex Jury before Mr. Juſtice BULLER.

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351. MARTHA WRIGHT was indicted for ſtealing, on the 31ſt of May laſt, two pewter pint pots, value 2s. the property of John Simmons.

GUILTY.

Fined 1s. *and impriſoned one month.*

Tried by the London Jury before Mr. RECORDER.

352. JOHN

352. JOHN WILLIAMS was indicted for ſtealing, on the 18th of June laſt, one woollen cloth coat, value 2s. 6d. the property of Jacob Sebright, and one other cloth coat, value 2s. 6d. the property of John Kemp.

GUILTY. (Aged 18.)

Whipped and impriſoned one month.

Tried by the London Jury before Mr. RECORDER.

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353. JOSEPH DENCH was indicted for ſtealing, on the 13th of June laſt, a man's cloth coat, value 5s. two gowns, value 5s. the goods of Patrick Kelly.

PATRICK KELLY *ſworn.*

I am a milk-man; I loſt my own coat and waiſtcoat and ſome money, and my wife's two gowns: my wife went out early, and the young man came in and took the things; that waked me and I got out of bed, and ran after him naked; he was purſued and taken; I am ſure the priſoner is the man.

JOHN DONNELLY *ſworn.*

I was ſtanding at the corner of Ruſſel-ſtreet; I ſaw the priſoner with the things on his arm; he ran away and I followed him; a perſon ſtopped him; he was never out of my ſight.

The priſoner called one witneſs, who gave him a good character.

GUILTY.

Tranſported for ſeven years.

Tried by the firſt Middleſex Jury before Mr. Juſtice BULLER.

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354. JAMES LAKE was indicted for ſtealing, on the 30th day of June laſt, a mahogany knife caſe, value 10s. and three mahogany tea-caddees, value 7s. 6d. the property of William Caldwell.

WILLIAM CALDWELL *ſworn.*

I loſt a knife caſe and three caddees; I was not at home; I left the things in the ſhop when I went out, and when I returned they were gone.

—— JACKSON *ſworn.*

I got the things from the proſecutor's houſe; I am a conſtable.

—— USHER *ſworn.*

I heard the cry of ſtop thief! and I ſaw the priſoner run, and he dropped the goods; I ſaw them taken to Mr. Caldwell's.

(The priſoner in his defence ſaid, he heard a noiſe and he went to ſee for the property.)

GUILTY. (Aged 24.)

Whipped.

Tried by the firſt Middleſex Jury before Mr. Juſtice BULLER.

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355. JOHN CLEWES was indicted for feloniouſly ſtealing, on the 29th day of March laſt, a gelding of the value of 5l. the property of Joel Jaques.

(The caſe opened by Mr. Garrow.)

JOEL JAQUES *ſworn.*

I am a butcher at Highgate, I lent my horſe to Edward Lucas on the 29 of March, and he was deſired to put it up at the widow Lucas's, St. John's-ſtreet, till I ſent for it; I lent it to him on Thurſday; the Saturday following I ſaw my horſe at Highgate, and Arrowſmith upon him; I detained the horſe and Arrowſmith; he was taken to the office at Shadwell; he immediately gave an account of whom he purchaſed the horſe, and in conſequence of this information, Clewes was apprehended; it was Mr. Dodd's horſe, but if I had loſt it I muſt have paid for it; the horſe had been in my cuſtody about ſix weeks; I am ſure it was Dodd's horſe; he is a ſorrel poney, with a light mane and tail, and blind.

EDWARD LUCAS *ſworn.*

I left the horſe at the Horſe and Groom in

St. John's-ſtreet, according to order; Mr. Jaques lent me the horſe to ride to London, I delivered him to Mr. Jaques's order, and told the hoſtler to deliver him to any body that might call for him from Mr. Jaques. I have never ſeen the horſe ſince.

JOSEPH MOORE *ſworn*,

A boy twelve years of age.

I live at the Horſe and Groom, I was in the yard when Mr. Lucas came, and he called hoſtler twice; the hoſtler was buſy looking ſomething; he aſked me if I knew the horſe, I ſaid, no; he ſaid take care of the horſe, I have rode him hard, and Mr. Jaques's boy will come for him in half an hour; a man was waſhing his face when Lucas came in; I really cannot ſay that the priſoner is the man; who the horſe was delivered to I cannot tell.

BENJAMIN DALIES *ſworn*.

I was on my box in Oxford Road on Friday the 30th of March; I am a hackney-coachman: a perſon came to me and aſked me to go to the Red-Lion at Kilburn, it was the priſoner; I drove him to Kilburn; he demanded a horſe at the Red-Lion, which was given him by the hoſtler, and it was tied to my off-ſide horſe; he had a hog mane and bald face: he got in and I drove him to Cow-croſs, then it was about ten in the evening; we went to the Three Compaſſes, and he ſent for a perſon to buy him, and we had a pint of purl and gin; he would not buy him that night, he ſaid he would give him a night's keep, it was a pity to keep him in the ſtreet, and he would ſee if he could bargain for him in the morning.

JAMES ARROWSMITH *ſworn*.

I live at Northampton, I deal in fowls, I was ſent for by John Clewes to the Three Compaſſes to buy this horſe; he told me he had got a horſe at the Red-Lion at Kilburn; I had known him ſome time, but had not ſeen him for four years; I met him in Smithfield and I aſked him how he lived, he told me in dealing for low-priced horſes; I told him I had a horſe died, and wanted one; then he told me he had a horſe that would ſuit me, and he offered to fetch him; he told me he was blind of both eyes, and had a broken knee, and he was lame behind; he ſent for me to the Three Compaſſes again at ten o'clock at night, he wanted me to buy the horſe, which he had then brought from Kilburn; I next day bought him for two guineas. I am ſure he is the man of whom I bought him.

PRISONER's DEFENCE.

Arrowſmith told me to go to Kilburn to fetch the horſe, and I went; when I came there I ſtaid that night, and part of the next day, and Arrowſmith never came, ſo I brought the horſe to the Compaſſes.

GUILTY, Death. (Aged 30.)

Tried by the ſecond Middleſex Jury before Mr. RECORDER.

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356. CHARLES LOWE was indicted for that he, on the 28th day of May, feloniouſly, wilfully, and of his malice aforethought, did kill and murder Joſeph Ball.

He was alſo charged on the coroner's inqueſt for manſlaughter.

HESTER BALL *ſworn*.

I am widow of Joſeph Ball, I was with him on the 28th of May laſt, we had been parted nine weeks, we did not agree; he turned me and child into the ſtreet ſeveral times; he lived in Half-moon-paſſage, No. 10, and I lived in Middleſex-paſſage; he came to my room about half paſt three, I was at home, we had made it up, and had taken a room; he aſked me to take a walk; I went for his great coat, and Mr. Lowe was in the room; I had been abſent about ten minutes, and I underſtood they had been falling out; my huſband was leaning his hand on his head, he had complained of being not well two or three days before; the priſoner ſaid he came for the money that was owing him, and my huſband ſaid he owed

owed him nothing, and the priſoner ſwore he would have it out of his bones, and the priſoner ſtruck him, and my huſband ſtruck him, and they had a round and fell, then they got up and had ſomething to drink, and the priſoner poured out a glaſs of gin and threw it over me; then they drank and ſat, and talked a good while; Lowe ſent for ſome more gin, but neither of us taſted it; I got my huſband out of the houſe, and the priſoner followed after my huſband, and knocked him down in the Great Cloſe; my huſband ſaid he was not hurt by the blows; we went to Iſlington, and returned in the evening: my huſband ſaid he was not well, and he took the bottle in his pocket to fetch ſomething to drink; I went to bed, and the child came and ſaid his father was fighting with Mr. Lowe; I went and brought him away, and he was all over mud and blood, and the people could not ſleep all night for his groans; he ſeemed very bad; he told me to get a ſtrengthening plaſter: I fetched the doctor; he bled him, and made up a medicine; I got him a calf's foot, and made him ſome jelly, and got him ſome wine, and attended him all night, and next day he ſaid he ſhould die; I got him into the hoſpital, and he expired on the Sunday night. The priſoner and my huſband were ſilk throwſters, and worked together.

EDWARD BEVIN *ſworn.*

I am a ſurgeon's pupil of Bartholomew's hoſpital; the deceaſed was brought there on Wedneſday the 30th of May; he remained till the Sunday night; when he came in he complained of his ſide; I found four of his ribs broke, I applied bandages and the uſual medicines; on Sunday night he died; his death was occaſioned by an inflammation, in conſequence of the broken ribs.

JOHN OVERHILL *ſworn.*

I ſaw the deceaſed on Whit-Monday between four and five in the evening, and the priſoner came in and there was a word or two aroſe about family affairs, and they fought about ten minutes; I believe it was a fit of jealouſy; they fought in the tap-room ten minutes, and then they agreed to go out to fight, and fought about ſix minutes in the yard; then it was all over; they were down three or four times, and I believe the damage was done againſt the table.

Did they fight fairly?—It was no fight, only pulling and hawling, and ſtriking as they could, both of them as much as the other; the deceaſed went home to his own lodging; they did not live together; I ſaw him the next day; they were to have fought two or three weeks before, and the priſoner would not come.

The priſoner's maſter gave him a very good character, and offered to take him again directly; he ſaid the priſoner had worked in his houſe before he came into it, and he had been in it eighteen years, and that the priſoner was a very quiet ſober man, and the deceaſed was always in liquor, and very quarrelſome, and he and his wife fought conſtantly: the priſoner was a cripple from his cradle, and neither fond of fiting nor fit for it.

NOT GUILTY of the Murder.
GUILTY of Manſlaughter.

Fined 6s. 8d. *and diſcharged.*

Tried by the London Jury before Mr. Juſtice BULLER.

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357. THOMAS TRIMMER was indicted for ſtealing, on the 2d of June, twelve yards of ſilk ribbon, value 4s. the property of Charles Hograve.

Roger Tiffin ſaw a perſon draw a piece of ribbon through a broken pane of glaſs in the ſhop; he followed him and ſaw him throw it away, it was the priſoner.

Proſecutor. This is the ribbon, I picked it up, I know it by being put on an irregular block; it was inconvenient to mend the window at that time of day, and ſeveral pins were ſtuck into it; the pins were all forced away.

PRISONER's

PRISONER's DEFENCE.

Pleaſe you, my Lord, and Gentlemen of the Jury, I ſtand here for a crime of which I am totally innocent; neither of my proſecutors can ſay they found any thing on me, how then, my Lord, and Gentlemen, upon your wiſe opinion, can I be guilty of this offence: I humbly throw myſelf on your lenient protection and humanity, for I am innocent of the crime.

GUILTY.

Impriſoned three months, and fined 1s.

Tried by the London Jury before Mr. RECORDER.

358. MARY TURNER was indicted for ſtealing, on the 26th day of May laſt, one pig of braſs, value 6s. and other goods, the property of John Lacey.

The priſoner was taken with the property.

GUILTY.

Impriſoned one month, and fined 1s.

Tried by the firſt Middleſex Jury before Mr. Juſtice BULLER.

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359. PATRICK M'LOCHLIN and CATHERINE M'LOCHLIN were indicted for uttering two bad half-crowns to William Porter.

WILLIAM PORTER *ſworn.*

I am a ſhopman to Miſs Lowndes, who keeps a linen-draper's ſhop in Bow-lane, Cheap-ſide; I had ſeen the woman priſoner; on the 29th of May ſhe came to the ſhop, and aſked to ſee ſome Iriſh cloth at ten pence or a ſhilling a yard; ſhe ſat on the oppoſite counter on the other ſide of the ſhop; ſhe told a pitiable ſtory of her huſband being killed by the fall of ſome houſes in Moorfields; I cut her off one quarter of a yard of Iriſh, and ſhe offered me half-a-crown; I gave her change, and ſhe went away; I went and ſhewed it my miſtreſs; I went out and endeavoured to get it changed, but I could not get it changed; ſhe came on the Thurſday following and aſked for ſome cloth to make the man a ſhirt at twenty-two pence per yard; the woman ſaid ſhe brought that man and recommended him as a cuſtomer; they had three yards and a quarter, which came to ſix ſhillings all but a half-penny; he aſked the woman to lend him a ſhilling, and ſhe ſaid where am I to get a ſhilling, and he then produced three half-crowns, which I thought to be bad; then I ſent for a conſtable, and I charged him with the conſtable; I told him that the woman had always come with bad money; he made a ſnatch and got two of the three out of my hand: while I was talking to the man the woman made her eſcape; the man returned me one out of the two, he had the third half-crown in his mouth, I heard it rattle againſt his teeth, he dropped it into the conſtable's hand; I followed the woman to Aldermary-church-yard, and told her ſhe muſt come back.

THOMAS DICKINS *ſworn.*

I am a conſtable; I was ſent for on the 31ſt of May to Miſs Lowndes's; I found the man in the ſhop, and the journeyman; he charged the man; I received one half-crown from Porter; and ſomebody told me he had ſomething in his mouth, which I found was half a crown; then Porter gave me another; it was a good half-crown that came out of the man's mouth.

Mr. CLARK *ſworn.*

I attend here, in order to prove the difference of good money and bad money; here are three bad half-crowns, and one good one; whoever made one half-crown made the other; they are all three from the ſame pair of dies.

PATRICK M'LOCHLIN's DEFENCE.

Pleaſe you, my Lord, I found the three half-crowns wrapped up in a paper in London-wall.

CATHERINE M'LOCHLIN's DEFENCE.

Pleaſe your Honour, I received this money from my lawful married huſband.

PATRICK M'LOCHLIN, GUILTY.
Impriſoned 6 months, and find ſecurity for 12 months.

CATH. M'LOCHLIN, NOT GUILTY.

Tried by the London Jury before Mr. RECORDER.

The Trials being ended, the Court proceeded to paſs Sentence, as follows:

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Patrick M'Lochlin (fined 1s.)
William Price.

To be impriſoned Three Months, 3, viz.

Ann Jones (fined 1s.)
Elizabeth Davis (fined 1s.)
Thomas Trimmer (fined 1s.)

To be impriſoned One Month, 3, viz.

Mary Turner (fined 1s.)
Martha Wright (fined 1s.)
John Williams.

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Samuel Coward of laſt ſeſſions to be whipt and diſcharged.

The Trial of JOHN HICKMAN was poſtponed to the next Seſſions; which will begin on WEDNESDAY the 12th of SEPTEMBER next, at the Seſſions Houſe in the Old-Bailey.

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BEFORE the Right Honourable JOHN HOPKINS, LORD MAYOR of the City of London; the Honourable Sir HENRY GOULD, one of the Juſtices of his Majeſty's Court of Common Pleas; the Honourable Sir BEAUMONT HOTHAM, one of the Barons of his Majeſty's Court of Exchequer; Sir JOHN WILLIAM ROSE, Serjeant at Law, Recorder of the ſaid City; JOHN SILVESTER, Eſq. Common Serjeant at Law, of the ſaid City; and others his Majeſty's Juſtices of Oyer and Terminer of the City of London, and Juſtices of Gaol Delivery of Newgate, holden for the ſaid City and County of Middleſex.

London Jury.	*Firſt Middleſex Jury.*	*Second Middleſex Jury.*
John Gould	George James Sower	James Fregent
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Calend Lufcombe	William Shrimpton	George Fife
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Thomas Metcalfe	John Thomas	Richard Clarke
Thomas Reynolds	Joſeph Jacob	John Williams
Thomas Barnet Cotton	William Bramble	Robert Deſborough
William Preſton	John Poole	William Bayley*
Peter Cockburne	Richard Moorby	William Phillips
William Hailes	Thomas Knight	William Emmerſon
Robert Black	Thomas Ellis	Richard Ryan

* John Simas ſerved part of the time in the room of William Bayley.

360. WILLIAM HOY was indicted for feloniouſly ſtealing, on the 11th day of June, four live ducks, value 4s. and two live geeſe, value 4s. the goods of Thomas Humphreys.

THOMAS

THOMAS HUMPHREYS *ſworn.*

I live at Mile End; I loſt four ducks and two geeſe.

JAMES GROVES *ſworn.*

I am a labouring man; I ſaw the priſoner take the ducks and geeſe, there were two of them; I was put to watch them; they were in an orchard, about an acre and a half; I ſaw the priſoner take the ducks and geeſe and put them into this bag; there were two of them, one got away, the other I took to the watch-houſe; he ſaw me coming, and laid down upon the bag.

Priſoner. When he took me he ſaid he would make a guinea of me.

Groves. The morning after he offered me a guinea not to appear againſt him.

Humphreys. I told my ducks and geeſe the night before; when I got up in the morning I told them again, and miſſed four ducks and two geeſe.

Groves. I ſhewed the geeſe to my maſter.

PRISONER's DEFENCE.

My mother lives at Bow; I was coming along and ſaw two men, and they began to uſe me ill, and kicked my hat over the pales and I got over after it.

GUILTY. (Aged 18.)

Tried by the firſt Middleſex Jury before Mr. RECORDER.

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361 JOHN ABSOLUM was indicted for feloniouſly aſſaulting Henry Anderſon on the king's highway, on the 20th day of July laſt, and putting him in fear, and feloniouſly taking from his perſon, and againſt his will, a woollen purſe, value 1d. and two guineas, and one half guinea, his property.

HENRY ANDERSON *ſworn.*

I am a ſoldier; I was robbed the 20th of July laſt at the Willow-walk, Chelſea, about a quarter of an hour after five in the afternoon; I was alone with the priſoner; we had been together about half an hour; he told me he would get me private lodging when I left my quarters; he took me down to the Willow-walk; I had a crutch, and I ſaid I muſt have a drink of water, and he ſaid if I gave him ſixpence he would get me ſixpennyworth of gin and water; and I took out my purſe, and he ſnatched it out of my hand, and took out two guineas and an half, and ſaid, how much money have you in your purſe now? ſays I, you have taken out two guineas and a half; I threatened to raiſe the country upon him if he did not return the money, and he ſaid, you raſcal, if you ſay a word I will throttle you, and he took hold of me by the throat, and aimed to puſh me back into the ditch; he was about five minutes with me and went away and took two guineas and a half and left a guinea and a half in the purſe, then he went away.

Mr. Garraw, Priſoner's Counſel. You had been drinking at the public houſe at Chelſea?

Yes, two-pennyworth of gin and water.

How ſoon afterwards was this man ſearched?—He was ſearched the ſame evening, and the next day my purſe was returned with a guinea and a half in it.

JOHN HUBBARD *ſworn.*

I was working for Mr. William Turner, in the Willow-walk. I heard murder cried; I looked down the Willow-walk, and I ſaw the proſecutor in a bended poſture by the trees, and ſaw the priſoner, John Abſolum, in a browniſh ſort of a ragged coat and white waiſtcoat; he had a knapſack and a purſe; he was making from the proſecutor, then I jumped over and met the priſoner; I aſked him if he was not a ſoldier, or had not been a ſoldier, and he pulled off his hat, and ſaid look at me; I ſaid you had better make it up with the man and give him his money; he ſaid he had it not, and was a friend to the man; he was kept in cuſtody; and at Weſtminſter he was reſcued from us; he was taken again; we took this purſe from him, and gave it to the cripple; this is the purſe.

Proſecutor. This is the purſe which the priſoner ſnatched out of my hand; that day I had

I had juſt received my penſion, which was three guineas all but three farthings.

THOMAS NEIGHBOUR *ſworn.*

I was at work in the ground, and ſaw the old ſoldier and the cripple go lovingly together, and directly after I heard the cry of murder! and I ſaw the priſoner coming back with a knapſack and a purſe, and he ſaid he had no other money upon him but what was in the purſe; he was reſcued from us at Weſtminſter.

GEORGE DAWSON *ſworn.*

I was in the Monſter, in the Willow-walk; I ſaw the priſoner and proſecutor go by, and in five minutes I heard murder! cried out, and we made down, and theſe two men had got the priſoner in hold, and the priſoner was recovering; he was reſcued at Weſtminſter; and in about a quarter of an hour we found him in Privy Gardens.

Priſoner. I leave it to my counſel.

GUILTY *of ſtealing, but not violently.*

Tried by the firſt Middleſex Jury before Mr. Baron HOTHAM.

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362. JOHN SMITH, alias JOHN IRSON, was indicted for feloniouſly aſſaulting James Lewin on the king's highway, on the 1ſt of Auguſt laſt, and putting him in fear, and feloniouſly taking from his perſon, and againſt his will, a ſilver watch, value 42s. a ſteel watch chain, value 2s. a gilt ſeal, value 2s. a ſteel key, value 1d. a metal key, value 1d. and 2s. in money, his property.

JAMES LEWIN *ſworn.*

I was robbed on the 1ſt of Auguſt, in the fields between Newington-green and Iſlington, about half after nine in the evening; I was alone; I was ſtopped by the priſoner; I never ſaw him till that night, he had a ſtick and a cutlaſs; there were two of them came up with ſticks, and they knocked me down before they ſpoke a word; they both had ſticks and cutlaſſes; it was a very fine moonlight night as ever was out of the heavens; they beat on me ſeveral times before I fell down; I tried to get up, they beat me moſt horribly, and one of them came and took my watch out of my pocket, and one ſingle ſhilling; I cannot ſay which of teem took my watch, I bled ſo much from the wounds; I ſtruggled with them, and one of them ſays to the other, d—n his eyes, draw your cutlaſs, cut him open, murder the bug—r; they both drew their cutlaſſes, but it was *that gentleman*, the priſoner, who cut me under the eye; they ſtruck me a ſecond time with a cutlaſs, and I fell down again; I was cut in my wriſt in defending the blow; I ſaw three or four gentlemen in the path, and I hollowed out murder! murder! murder! for God's ſake; and the gentlemen heard me, and came up, and they ran off, and as they ran off one of them ſtamped on my breaſt; I was not able to go with them; I went back to my brother-in-law's, the farm houſe, and got my head and arms rubbed with brandy; I never had my watch again; I look upon it they were between three and four minutes (I will ſpeak below the mark) beating of me; I had my ſenſes; I am ſure to the priſoner; he had a lightiſh coat on and blue ſtockings, and I ſaw his face; and after I had my wounds dreſſed my brother ſent three ſervants home with me; there were ſeveral people about the turnpike, and there ſat this man, and I told him he was one of the men; he denied it.

JOHN CANNON *ſworn.*

On the evening of the 1ſt of Auguſt, about half paſt ten, returning home we heard the cry of murder! three men were engaged; and I ſaw a cutlaſs; the men ſtood beating the man till we came within fifty yards; they ran away, and one of them hit him a blow on the head; I cannot ſwear to the priſoner, I was not near enough.

JAMES STAINES *ſworn.*

I ſpeak to the ſame effect; he purſued the men, and loſt ſight of them, and afterwards found the priſoner in cuſtody.

JOHN

JOHN RAY *ſworn.*

I was at Ball's Pond turnpike, going to drink out of a pot of beer with the turnpike-man, and I heard the cry out of murder! I ſaid there is a robbery; I immediately ran and got half way up the lane, I laid hold of a man that was running; ſays I, I have you, and I ſeized him by the collar; I put him into the turnpike-houſe; and ſays I to the man at the turnpike-houſe, I will go again; juſt at the end of the lane the priſoner was running at a very great rate, I purſued him about one hundred yards, he paſſed me, I overtook him; ſays he, I am not a thief: ſays I, damn me, I do not think you are an honeſt man, by your running, if you are, it will be ſoon proved; I brought him to the turnpike-houſe, and the next morning I went to the place where I took him, and I ſaw this ſtick and cutlaſs laying near; I ſearched him immediately when I took him in, and found a knife and handkerchief; it is not above nine hundred or a thouſand yards from the place of the robbery; I can run as quick as any perſon of my ſize, and had the hardeſt work to overtake him; he had a light coloured drab coat and blue ſtockings; the coat he had on was taken off his back, and there was freſh blood on it.

(The coat produced and ſhewn to the jury with one drop of blood on it.)

PRISONER's DEFENCE.

I had been to bathe myſelf; and when I came out of the water it was almoſt dark, and coming down towards the road I heard a *ſing out* of ſtop thief! I ſaw nobody; I walked down the lane and that man took me; my friends are not here.

GUILTY, Death. (Aged 25.)

Tried by the firſt Middleſex Jury before Mr. Baron HOTHAM.

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363. PHILIP MARTIN was indicted for feloniouſly breaking and entering the dwelling houſe of William Richmond, no perſon being therein, about four o'clock in the afternoon, of the 20th of Auguſt laſt, and feloniouſly ſtealing therein a cloth great coat, value 3s. a pair of velveteen breeches, value 5s. a pair of leather breeches, value 4s. two cloth coats, value 6s. a man's hat, value 1s. a dimity waiſtcoat, value 6d. a ſtuff waiſtcoat, value 6d. his property.

WILLIAM RICHMOND *ſworn.*

I live at Paddington; on the 28th of Auguſt I went out of my houſe at ſix in the morning, I left my ſon, he is not here, I came back to dinner at twelve, every thing was then ſafe; I went out to my work at one, there was nobody but myſelf, I left no perſon in the houſe, I locked my houſe; I returned at four and found it open, the lock drawn: I miſſed nothing; I found the priſoner in the houſe with theſe things on his back; he was in the middle of the room; it is all a ground floor; a bundle laid by the ſide which contained two coats, a pair of breeches, and 2 waiſtcoats; theſe things are mine, they were in the houſe when I went out, I ſaw them there the night before; they were in the ſame room but not packed up; the great coat and the hat were in drawers; I value them as in the indictment.

Priſoner. I was never near the place.

GUILTY of ſtealing to the value of 4s.

Tried by the firſt Middleſex Jury before Mr. Baron HOTHAM.

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364. FRANCIS AYRES was indicted for feloniouſly ſtealing, on the 11th of July, a man's cloth coat, value 40s. a velveret waiſtcoat, value 2s. a pair of breeches, value 6s. five pair of worſted ſtockings, value 5s. four razors, value 3s. three ſhirts, value 6s. a hat, value 1s. two neckcloths, value 1s. a pocket handkerchief, value 1s. the property of William Fiſher, in the dwelling houſe of Henry Hemmings.

WILLIAM FISHER *ſworn.*

I am a gunſmith; I live at Mr. Hemmings's; on the 11th of July I loſt the things in the indictment from the garret where I ſlept,

ſlept, I laſt ſaw them the Sunday before; the priſoner laid in the ſame bed; I was at the White horſe public-houſe, I was fetched home, and when I came up ſtairs, at half paſt nine, the priſoner ſhoved open the door, and ruſhed by me, and the candle went out; I could ſee it was the priſoner, he was ſtopped on the one pair of ſtairs, and my coat was on his back, under his own old coat; the other things were all upon him; three ſhirts of mine and his own, and my coat and waiſtcoat, and breeches, under his own.

Mr. Knapp, priſoner's counſel. How many perſons lodged in the houſe?— Myſelf and the priſoner at the bar, and Mrs. Williams, and her huſband, and Hemmings lived in the houſe himſelf, he had lived in the houſe about ſix weeks; I know nothing of his family.

BENJAMIN CONSTABLE *ſworn.*

I am an officer; the priſoner was brought to the watch-houſe; he had his coat and waiſtcoat, and three ſhirts, and his breeches, and two pair of ſtockings, and three pair of ſtockings he had in his pocket.

(The things depoſed to.)

Proſecutor. The coat coſt me 40s. they will come to that good, though there are ſeveral old things among them.

(The priſoner called two witneſſes to his character.)

GUILTY. 39s.

Tried by the firſt Middleſex Jury before Mr. Baron HOTHAM.

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365 THOMAS BRIAN and DAVID FISHER, were indicted for ſtealing, on the 20th of July laſt, two pair of women's ſtays, value 40s. a red Morocco pocket-book, value 2s. a hat, value 7s. a tin can, value 1d. and four ſhillings, the property of Walter Sprang.

(The witneſſes examined ſeparate.)

WALTER SPRANG *ſworn.*

I live at Lewſome, I am a ſtay-maker, I loſt the things in the indictment, and ſome looſe money, on the 20th of July, from near Charing-Croſs; I came to London to carry home thoſe ſtays, I met ſome friends, and was much in liquor; by ſome means or other I met with theſe men, and the things were found on them, I cannot relate the circumſtances truly, I was ſo much in liquor.

Court. Well that is the only atonement you can make for being in liquor.

JAMES WAYLAND *ſworn.*

I was in a public houſe, and the two priſoners, and Mr. Sprang, who was very much in liquor, came to the door, and one of them wanted ſomething to drink, and one of them ſaid b——r me it will not do to go in there; the two priſoners ſeemed to be ſober, and they went to the public houſe oppoſite, and they ſhoved the man in, and away they both ran; Brian turned up King-ſtreet, I ſaw a bundle under his coat, and ran after him, and caught him at the corner of the ſtreet, they turned into the Park, and I took the bundle from under Brian's coat; he had a bag with a pair of ſtays within ſide, and Fiſher turned back ſhort; I ſaid, my partner can ſtop him, and he was ſtopped; I ſaw both the priſoners with this man, it was between eight and nine.

(The ſtays depoſed to.)

WILLIAM BLACK *ſworn.*

Depoſed to the ſame effect; I produce a hat which I took from Fiſher's head, and a little tin toy in his pocket; he ſaid he had borrowed the hat.

(The hat depoſed to, and the tin can.)

JOHN SIMS *ſworn.*

Depoſed to the ſame effect.

Priſoner Brian. I met with this gentleman, the ſtay-maker, as he calls himſelf, coming down from Charing-Croſs, I ſaw him ſpeaking to this man in a coach, he aſked me to have ſome beer; this gentleman called for a ſhilling's worth of punch, then he would have this man go

in

in the coach with him; he called for half a crown's worth of punch, began to huſtle him about, then ſays he, where is my bundle, I gave it him again, I did not know what it contained; ſays he, if you will both come together, I ſhall accommodate you with ſomething to eat and drink, take the ſtays under your coat, and keep them from the rain, as I am not capable of taking them to the ladies; by the ſame caſe I followed them down as far as the Axe and Gate, then he would have ſome beer, ſays I, I will not go into the houſe, if you chuſe it do; I was going along, and ſo the people took me, and would have it that I robbed the man.

PRISONER FISHER's DEFENCE.

I was with that man, he was very much in liquor, and he wanted to fence with me, and he knocked my hat off, and I knocked his hat off, and I picked up his.

Court. Allow all the witneſſes their expences, except the drunken man.

BOTH GUILTY.

Tried by the firſt Middleſex Jury before Mr. Baron HOTHAM.

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366 GEORGE JONES was indicted for ſtealing, on the 4th of September, four ſilver forks, value 30s. and a ſilver table-ſpoon, value 8s. the property of Thomas Fitzhugh, Eſq.

JAMES KELSALL *ſworn.*

I am ſervant to Mr. Fitzhugh, we loſt four ſilver forks and two ſpoons, on the 4th of September, they were in the pantry, I ſaw the priſoner take them about twelve o'clock, I ſhut the door upon him, and took him, he took them out of his boſom, and laid them on the table.

Priſoner. I was going to ſee an acquaintance who lived at next door, and I miſtook one area for the other, and this young man came, and ſhut me in; I never ſaw the ſpoons.

GUILTY. (Aged 27.)

Tried by the firſt Middleſex Jury before Mr. Baron HOTHAM.

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367 THOMAS BALL was indicted for ſtealing, on the 14th day of Auguſt laſt, five ſilver tea-ſpoons, value 5s. the goods of Thomas Boytell.

TOMAS BOYTELL *ſworn.*

I am a weaver, I loſt five tea-ſpoons from a cloſet; I ſaw the ſpoons that very day.

WILLIAM SPENCER *ſworn.*

I was ſtanding at my door between ſeven and eight, I ſaw the priſoner run by very faſt, and M. Boytell's ſervant following him, I ſaw him ſtopped, and ſearched him, and found five ſilver tea-ſpoons.

(Produces them.)

Proſecutor. Theſe are my ſpoons, two are marked A. E. M. T. I am certain of them.

SARAH PARKER *ſworn.*

I live with Mr. Boytell, I had been out, and on my return I found a young man and a young woman at the door, the young woman aſked me if Sally lived there, whoſe mother lived at Bethnal-Green; I ſaid no; then ſhe went out, and as he got to the threſhold of the door, I heard a gingling in his pocket, I went into the kitchen, and miſſed five ſpoons; I ſaw them taken out of his pocket.

Priſoner. I am innocent of the robbery.

He called ſeveral witneſſes, who gave him a good character.

GUILTY.

Tried by the firſt Middleſex Jury before Mr. Baron HOTHAM.

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368 WILLIAM MILLER was indicted for ſtealing, on the 20th day of July,

July, one pair of leather boots, value 12s. the goods of Charles Moore.

CHARLES MORSE *ſworn.*

I am a ſhoe-maker, I loſt a pair of boots from the outſide of the ſhop.

ANN MORSE *ſworn.*

I was in the parlour adjoining the ſhop, I was called and told a pair of boots had been ſtolen, I purſued the priſoner, and he ran round the corner of the next court.

JOHN SOWERBY *ſworn.*

On the 20th day of July I heard the cry of ſtop! I ſaw the priſoner running, he dropped a pair of boots; a boy (Harvey) picked them up.

HARVEY *ſworn.*

I live with a poulterer, I ſaw the priſoner drop the boots; I picked them up.

Mrs. MORSE.

I took the boots to the watch-houſe, and laid them on the table.

SARAH HUGHES *ſworn.*

About twelve in the day, a pair of boots were brought to the watch-houſe by Mrs. Morſe, I delivered them to the conſtable.

BLAGROVE *ſworn.*

I have kept theſe boots ever ſince.

ELIZABETH HOLLOWAY *ſworn.*

I ſaw the priſoner take the boots from Mr. Morſe's window.

Priſoner. Another man juſt before me dropped the boots.

GUILTY.

Tried by the firſt Middleſex Jury before Mr. RECORDER.

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369 JOSEPH NEWTON was indicted for ſtealing, on the 28th of Auguſt, one ſilver ſalt, value 10s. and one ſilver ſpoon, value 10s. the goods of William Langley.

MARY HUGHES *ſworn.*

I am ſervant to Mr. Langley, he lives in Groſvenor Place; the ſpoon and ſalt were on a ſideboard in the parlour, I ſaw them there about twelve o'clock the day before I miſſed them; on Tueſday, at ten o'clock, the priſoner was in the paſſage near the ſtreet door, the parlour door was open, he was waiting for money for two newſpapers, he was there the night before with a newſpaper; I ſaw the things on Wedneſday in the conſtable's hands, he has kept them ever ſince.

SAMUEL HAMILTON *ſworn.*

I am a conſtable, I produce a ſpoon and ſalt-holder, I received them from Fiſher, and took the priſoner at the ſame time.

ISAAC FISHER *ſworn.*

The priſoner came to our houſe on Tueſday the 28th of Auguſt, about eleven o'clock; I am certain of his perſon, he brought theſe articles to pledge for 18s. I ſtopped him, and ſent for a conſtable.

(The ſpoon and ſalt-holder depoſed to by a Mr. Langley and Mary Hughes.)

Priſoner. I went to ſerve newſpapers, and coming by the turnpike, I picked the things up.

GUILTY.

Tried by the firſt Middleſex Jury before Mr. RECORDER.

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370 HENDRICK HENDERSON was indicted for ſtealing, on the 4th of June laſt, one linen handkerchief, value 1s. 6d. the goods of Robert Nutter.

ROBERT NUTTER *ſworn.*

I am a reed-maker, I loſt my handkerchief about nine o'clock, in Biſhopſgate-ſtreet; I felt a pull, and turned round, and the priſoner ran into the middle of the ſtreet.

CHARLES BAYLEY *ſworn.*

I am a porter, I heard the cry of ſtop thief!

thief, and ſaw the lad run, and the handkerchief drop from his hand; I picked it up, I gave it to Robert Sapwell.

ROBERT SAPWELL *ſworn.*

I received a handkerchief from Mr. Bayley (produces it); I have kept it ever ſince.

(Proſecutor depoſes to the handkerchief.)

Priſoner. I was coming up Biſhopſgate-ſtreet, and I heard the cry of ſtop thief! and they ſtopped me; it was between nine and ten, and a very dark night.

GUILTY. (Aged 19.)

Tried by the London Jury before Mr. RECORDER.

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371. ROBERT WALLIS and THOMAS KIRK were indicted for feloniouſly breaking and entering the dwelling-houſe of Henry Appleton, about the hour of ſix in the afternoon, on the 4th of September, one Iſabella Bolton being therein, and feloniouſly ſtealing therein, four muſlin cauls for caps, value 2s. ſeventeen muſlin handkerchiefs, value 30s. ſix ſilk handkerchiefs, value 18s. eight muſlin handkerchiefs, value 16s. two ſilk petticoats, value 3l. and a quantity of thread and ſilk lace, value 10s. his property.

(The witneſſes examined ſeparately by deſire of the priſoners.)

ISABELLA BOLTON *ſworn.*

I am cook to Mr. Appleton, I was in the houſe on Saturday the 1ſt of September Robert Wallis came to invite himſelf to drink tea on the Tueſday following, and he ſaid he had a woman friend, who would come with him and his wife; he came a ſecond time, rung the bell, and was let in; he lived in the family two years, he went away in February laſt, he came on Tueſday morning, his wife, and the acquaintance came about half paſt five; he did not come then, but he came in about half an hour; the ſtreet door bell rang, and I went up; Mary Eddington was at the door; ſhe went up to change her apron, and came running down ſtairs, hallowing; and Thomas Kirk was in the hall when ſhe went up, and he came running down ſtairs without his ſhoes; a conſtable was ſent for, and he was ſearched, there was a pair of ſhoes, a ruffled ſhirt, and neckcloth, found upon him, the property of Mr. Appleton, they were in his pocket; I let Wallis in, I don't know how the other priſoner got in; when I ſtopped Kirk, Wallis came into the parlour; ſome gentlemen came in, and took him into cuſtody; he was committed; the women were not in the kitchen; afterwards they ſtopped in the hall and parlour; the women came up ſtairs with Wallis, when the other man was taken; when Wallis was taken I miſſed the women.

MARY EDINGTON *ſworn.*

I am a ſervant to Mr. Appleton, an houſe-maid; I went out about half an hour after five, and came back half paſt ſix; I gave the alarm; I went into the kitchen, and there I ſaw the cook-maid, James Bolton, Robert Wallis, and Iſabella Bolton; in a minute or two I went up ſtairs into the front room, Mr. Appleton's bed-room, and there I ſaw Thomas Kirk ſtanding at the window, with a bag in his hand, and the window open, and the ſhutter three-parts ſhut to; then he went, on ſeeing me, behind the door on the landing place; he paſſed me in the room; I aſked him who he wanted, and he ſaid nobody; and then I aſked what he wanted, and he ſaid nothing; then I aſked him how he came there, and he pulled his hat over his face, and ſaid nothing; I aſked him again, and he ſaid he wanted his ſhoes, and would have them out of the room, then he would go; then he put down the bag on the landing place, and he went in, as I ſuppoſed, to get his ſhoes, and I ran ſcreeming down ſtairs, and ran out, locked the ſtreet door, and put the key in my pocket, and by that time Robert Wallis and Iſabella Bolton, came into the hall, I ſaid there was ſomebody

up ſtairs, and Wallis ſaid, pho pho, there was nobody up ſtairs; by that time Thomas Kirk was in the parlour, and I went in, and put my right hand into his pocket, and took out ſix ſticks of ſealing-wax; I ſaw a ruffled ſhirt taken from him, a pair of men's leather ſhoes, and ſome black lace, that belongs to the young lady; when I went up ſtairs, I ſaw three of the drawers broke open; I went for a conſtable, and left him in the hands of James Edington, my father, who was in the houſe, and called in one Mr. Starkey; the articles were delivered to the conſtable; I was not down ſtairs above two or three minutes, before I went up; my father came into the houſe about eleven, to take down ſome bed curtains; he was in the kitchen with the other people, Robert Wallis, and the cook, and two women, and one Mr. Starkey, my father called him in; I went out at five; I am very certain I ſhut the door after me, I puſhed it to, none of the windows below ſtairs were open; there is a perſon here will acquaint you how theſe people came into the houſe—I know the linen that was in the bag.

JAMES EDINGTON *ſworn.*

I am father of Mary Edington; on Tueſday, Sept. 4, I went to Mr. Appleton's; we had ſome dinner below about five, my daughter went out and returned about half paſt ſix, came down into the kitchen, and went up ſtairs, and then we heard her ſhrieking; the cook and me went up, and ſhe ſaid ſhe ſaw a thief in the houſe, with a ſcarlet waiſtcoat on; I tried to open the ſtreet door, but could not; at laſt I opened it, and found a gentleman, Mr. Starkey, he came in and took the poker, and I took the ſhovel, and we ſeized the priſoner, and found the things in the indictment; the ſhoes he had on were Mr. Appleton's; I got a conſtable, and went up ſtairs and found a great many articles of linen laying on the floor, and his ſhoes were found in Mr. Appleton's bed-chamber; three drawers and a book-caſe drawer were broke open; Wallis was in the kitchen the whole time I was down in the kitchen; when the cook let him in, he was up ſtairs two or three minutes before he came down; the women came before him, and Robert Wallis came about half an hour after them.

SARAH BENDFIELD *ſworn.*

I live over againſt the houſe, I am a ſervant to one Mr. Gale; I ſat at the counting-houſe window, and I ſaw Mr. Appleton's cook, Boulton, let in two women, between five and ſix, and afterwards I ſaw her come to the door and let a man in, in red hair, tied behind; a little after he came out of doors, and left the door wide open, that was Robert Wallis; he let in Thomas Kirk; Wallis came back in about five minutes; I do not think he went down ſtairs; he did not let in Kirk in the preſence of the cook; the door was ſhut on Wallis, I do not know who ſhut it; Robert Wallis came down the ſteps and beckoned over againſt Church-court, and there came up a man, that was Kirk; I know both the men well, I ſaw them both go in together, I ſaw no more.

ISAAC STARKEY *ſworn.*

I am a bricklayer; I ſaw the two priſoners in the houſe, I was called in the 4th of September, about half paſt ſix, I ſaw Thomas Kirk there, and I ſaw James Edington take him, and ſtrip him, and ſearch him; the things in the indictment were taken from him; I ſaw Wallis there at the houſe.

THOMAS PINNER *ſworn.*

I am the conſtable, I produce theſe theſe things, I received them from Mr. James Taddy; he is not here as I know of, but the ſervants were all preſent when I received them; I have kept them ever ſince; I was ſent for on Tueſday the 4th of September, about ſeven at night the priſoner Thomas Kirk was in the parlour; I did not ſee him ſearched, I went up ſtairs afterwards, and theſe things were emptied out of the bag by the cook, on the floor.

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(The things produced, and depoſed to.)

Court to Appleton. Was the bag the man had full?—Yes, quite full.

Court to Sarah Bendfield. At the time the man went into the houſe, was it light?—Yes, the candles were not lighted, nor the lamps.

HENRY APPLETON *ſworn.*

This is my ſhirt, it has my initials and number; this pair of ſhoes has my name in them; I cannot ſwear to a ſtick of ſealing wax, I loſt ſuch ſort from the book-caſe in my counting-houſe; I left it there the 30th day of Auguſt.

Court to Edington. Were theſe the ſame things that were produced to the conſtable, by Taddy?—Yes.

SUSANNA APPLETON *ſworn.*

I am a ſingle woman, I have ſeen all the articles in this bag, I can ſpeak to them all, they were in my bed room; the priſoner was found in my mother's bed-room, the rooms are the ſide of each other.

JAMES GOBIHAS *ſworn.*

I was informed of the robbery, and I took up Kirk, and Wallis came in while I was there, and charge was given of him.

PRISONER KIRK's DEFENCE.

I never broke into the houſe, as it is put into the indictment.

PRISONER WALLIS's DEFENCE.

I knew nothing of the matter till I ſaw the priſoner in the parlour, then I went out and came back again.

(The priſoners called two witneſſes to their character.)

They were both recommended to mercy, particularly the young one on account of his youth.

ROBT. WALLIS, GUILTY, Death.
THOS. KIRK, GUILTY, Death.

Tried by the London Jury before Mr. RECORDER.

372. ROBERT ARMSTRONG was indicted for ſtealing, on the 3d of September, a ſilk cloak, value 9s. a linen apron, value 12d. and a ſilk handkerchief, value 12d. the property of Hugh Macpherſon.

Mrs. MACPHERSON *ſworn.*

I am wife of Hugh Macpherſon, I loſt the things in the indictment, on the 3d of Sept. the parlour door was open, I went for a baſon of water, and coming back, I found the priſoner in the houſe, running away with the property; he was ſtopped in two minutes; I ſaw the things taken from him.

EDMUND WARREN *ſworn.*

I was going into Bread-ſtreet, and heard the cry of ſtop thief! the priſoner was running, I ſtopped him, I ſaw him heave the cloak into a houſe; to the beſt of my knowledge, this is the cloak; it is the ſame I gave to Mrs. Macpherſon.

Proſecutor. It is the ſame.

Priſoner. Pleaſe your honor there was crying ſtop thief! I ſaw a young man running in a blue jacket, I ran the ſame as another, he threw ſomething over my head, and I ſtooped down on my knee, and they took me.

GUILTY.

Tried by the firſt Middleſex Jury before Mr. Baron HOTHAM.

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373. JOHN RILEY was indicted for ſtealing, on the 7th of July, a hand-ſaw, value 5s. a ſaſh-ſaw, value 3s. and an oil-ſtone, value 18d. the property of John Wilmot.

JOHN WILMOT *ſworn.*

I am a carpenter; I loſt my tools in the indictment, the 7th of July, out of our work-ſhop; I found them ſome few minutes after, on the man that took them, that is the priſoner, the ſaws were mine beyond all doubt;

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THOMAS WILMOT *ſworn.*

I ſaw the man come out of the ſhop with the ſaws under his coat, that was the priſoner; there was nobody in the ſhop, I was in the ſtreet at the ſame time.

PRISONER's DEFENCE.

I met a man, and he deſired me to take the ſaws, and put them under my arm, and the oil-ſtone, and wait for him; coming acroſs, I was met by that young gentleman, and taken into cuſtody.

(The priſoner called one witneſs to his character.)

GUILTY.

Tried by the firſt Middleſex Jury before Mr. Baron HOTHAM.

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374. CHARLES WILLETT and WILLIAM HINTON were indicted for ſtealing, on the 20th of July, one cotton gown, value 2s. 6d. the property of Frederick Pollman.

ABIGAIL DAVIDSON *ſworn.*

I ſaw the priſoner Willett coming from the back parlour, with the property under his arm; I am ſure the priſoner is the man; he ran away, I went after him, I followed him till he was taken; he gave it to the other priſoner; it was the road between Kenſington and Knightſbridge; there were many more people about; I never ſaw him before, I purſued Willett, and ſaw him taken; I ſaw them brought all down the road; I followed them cloſe all the way, I was never diſtant more than twenty yards, I did not hear the officer ſay any thing to Hinton; Hinton received the gown from Willett, and dropt it when I purſued him.

Priſoner Willett. If ſhe ſpeaks fair between God and man, ſhe cannot ſay I am the man.

DAVID BONTHORPE *ſworn.*

I was coming from Knightſbridge, I ſaw Willett running, I ſtopped him, and aſked him what was the matter; he ſaid nothing to him, it was the man behind him, I let him paſs, and ſtopped the other.

JAMES CONNOR *ſworn.*

I was ordered upon guard; I heard the cry of ſtop thief! and ſaw them ſtopped.

DANIEL BROWN *ſworn.*

I am a conſtable; I produce a gown, I cannot pretend to ſwear from whom I received it.

EDWARD BURKE *ſworn.*

I am a labourer; I ſaw the priſoner Hinton drop the gown from under his coat, I carried it to the houſe, and delivered it to the proſecutrix.

(The gown depoſed to.)

C. WILLETT, GUILTY. (Aged 21.)
W. HINTON, GUILTY. (Aged 28.)

Tried by the firſt Middleſex Jury before Mr. RECORDER.

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375. ELEANOR PLACE was indicted for feloniouſly ſtealing, on the 23d of Auguſt laſt, one pair of ſheets, value 5s. and other articles of furniture, the property of Charles Maſon.

CHARLES MASON *ſworn.*

I let the priſoner a lodging at 2s. 6d. per week, it was furniſhed, there was a woollen rug, two flat-irons, and a copper tea-kettle; I gave her the irons on the 22d, on the 23d I aſked her for the rent; I thought ſomething was miſſing, and I called in the patrol and ſearched the lodging, and all the things were miſſing.

WILLIAM BLATCH *ſworn.*

I produce a pair of ſheets pawned by the perſoner, one on the 16th, and the other on the 23d; I am a pawnbroker, I know

know the prisoner, she said they were her own, she had lately received them from the country.

GUILTY. 40s.

Tried by the first Middlesex Jury before Mr. RECORDER.

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376. WILLIAM BLAYLAND was indicted for feloniously stealing, on the 6th day of July, a pair of men's leather shoes, value 4s. the goods of Archibald Read.

ARCHIBALD READ *sworn.*

I am a shoe-maker, in King-street, Seven Dials, on the 6th of July, Friday evening, I missed the shoes, the prisoner came into the shop, and desired to be fitted with a pair of shoes; my lad attended him, I was busy with other customers; I was told the man had put a pair of shoes in his pocket, I saw him pull them out of his pocket (these are the shoes) Hawkes has kept them ever since; I know them by the binding and the manufacture; these shoes were never tried on by the prisoner, they are two inches too small for him; on being searched, there was half-a-crown and a shilling found upon him.

Mr. Knowlys, prisoner's counsel. Had not this man half-a-guinea?—Not that I known of.

JOHN HAWKES *sworn.*

I am a servant to Mr. Read, the prisoner came in and asked for shoes; I shewed him several pairs, at last I went round to look for some shoes in a box behind him; I went into the parlour and informed Mr. Hawkes I had suspicion of the prisoner's having a pair of shoes; he was in the parlour, and he came out soon after, and said to Mr. Archibald, this man has taken the liberty of taking a pair of shoes.

JOSEPH HAWKES *sworn.*

I accused the prisoner with taking a pair of shoes, he then pulled them out of his pocket, and said they are what I meant to have; I have kept the shoes ever since.

JOHN HARWOOD *sworn.*

I am watchman, I was called in and searched him; I found half-a-crown and a shilling.

WILLIAM AVERY *sworn.*

I am constable; the prisoner was brought before me, and I found half-a-crown and a shilling, which was returned to him; in the morning he told me that he did not know the nature of the place, but that he had half-a-guinea more, which he concealed in his mouth, as he did not know but it might be taken from him.

GUILTY. (Aged 32.)

Tried by the second Middlesex Jury before Mr. RECORDER.

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377. MARY BURGESS was indicted for returning from transportation, and being found at large before the expiration of the time for which she was transported, against the statute.

(The record of the conviction produced and read by Thomas Shelton, Esq. clerk of arraigns.)

JOHN OWEN *sworn.*

I know the prisoner, I was present when she was tried in October, 1787, for stealing goods of Mr. Jackson, and was capitally convicted; in June, 1789, she received the King's pardon, on condition of being transported for seven years; I delivered her on board the Lady Juliana; she escaped soon after from the ship in Long Reach.

ROBERT DAWSON *sworn.*

I apprehended the prisoner in Billingscourt, Petticoat-lane, on the 9th of August last; I found her in bed, in consequence of an information; she appeared

unwell; Joſeph Bear was in company with me, Joſeph Bear ſaid that the woman ſold old clothes, and behaved exceedingly well.

GUILTY, *Death.*

Tried by the ſecond Middleſex Jury before Mr. RECORDER.

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378. JOHN GAMMON was indicted for feloniouſly ſtealing, on the 19th day of July, one pair of ſilver ſhoe-buckles, value 15s. the goods of John Meek, and one black ſilk-cloak, value 10s. the goods of Richard Fox.

JOHN MEEK *ſworn.*

I am a houſekeeper, I loſt a pair of ſilver ſhoe-buckles, on the 19th of July, from my parlour, in Penton-ſtreet; I diſcovered the loſs in about three minutes after they were gone, it was about eight o'clock in the morning.

ELIZABETH FOX *ſworn.*

A perſon told me that the houſe had been robbed.

ANN FIELDING *ſworn.*

I was ſtanding at the parlour window oppoſite, and ſaw the priſoner go in, and walk about the parlour; I went over the way, and knocked at the door, and he came out, and I aſked him who he wanted, he mentioned ſome name; he ſaid he lived juſt by at the corner; I ſaid I did not believe that, and I having a ſuſpicion, told him they lodged up ſtairs; a gentleman was coming by, and I deſired him to ſtop him, as I thought he had ſomething under his coat; he was taken and brought back to the door, I am poſitive of the priſoner.

WILLIAM CLARKE *ſworn.*

I ſtopped the priſoner about a quarter of a mile from the houſe; I did not ſee any thing taken from him.

ABYHALLMAN WYATT *ſworn.*

I produce the cloak and buckles; I had them of the juſtice, I ſearched him, but found nothing but an old knife upon him.

FRANCIS ANDERSON *ſworn.*

I helped to apprehend the priſoner, I ſaw him drop a black ſilk-cloak, and a pair of ſilver buckles, cloſe to my feet, a quarter of a mile before he was taken; I never loſt ſight of him.

(Produced and depoſed to.)

Priſoner. If I had had a friend, I ſhould have got through this buſineſs, that I ſee, but I am loſt for want of a friend; where they have fetched this man from I do not know.

GUILTY.

Tried by the ſecond Middleſex Jury before Mr. Baron HOTHAM.

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379. ELIZABETH BROWN was indicted for ſtealing, on the 6th day of July, a cloth coat, valne 21s. and other wearing apparel, the goods of Suſannah Tomlins, in her dwelling-houſe.

SUSANNAH TOMLINS *ſworn.*

I am a widow, on the 6th of July, I loſt a cloth coat, a jean waiſtcoat, a pair of velveret breeches, &c. they were taken out of a one pair of ſtairs cloſet, by a falſe key; the priſoner lived as ſervant with me, took them, as I ſuppoſe; I had been out, and left her alone in the houſe; on my return the ſtreet door was ſhut and the window faſtened down, and a perſon got in at the window, and let me in; I went up ſtairs, ſuppoſing ſhe had robbed me, and found this key in my cloſet-door.

JAMES FLINT *ſworn.*

I took the coat, the waiſtcoat, and breeches from the priſoner.

(Produced and depoſed to.)

The coat, value 1l. 1s. the waiſtcoat, value 5s. the breeches, value 8s.

GUILTY.

Tried by the ſecond Middleſex Jury before Mr. Baron HOTHAM.

380. JOHN

380. JOHN WRIGHT was indicted for ſtealing, on the 14th of Auguſt, an iron anchorſtock, value ſixpence, and an hempen ſack, value ſixpence, the property of George Judd.

GUILTY. *Privately whipped.*

To be delivered to Mr. Sheriff Anderſon.

Tried by the firſt Middleſex Jury before Mr. Baron HOTHAM.

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381. MARGARET HALL was indicted for feloniouſly breaking and entering the dwelling houſe of Peter Hopgood; Elizabeth his wife, and others of the family being within; about eight in the afternoon of the 9th of July laſt, and feloniouſly ſtealing therein, a black ſilk cloak, value 10s. a cotton gown, value 10s. a dimity petty coat, value ſix ſhillings, a cap, value two ſhillings, and eight guineas, the property of John Potts.

JOHN POTTS *ſworn.*

I live in Knightſbridge; on the 9th of July I was not at home at the time, I went out at ſeven, and returned before ten, and miſſed my things.

SARAH HAWKES *ſworn.*

I live oppoſite the proſecutor, my huſband and he came home from work; and he has a bit of ground, and they went down to his ground, and in about a quarter after, I ſaw the priſoner in his room, up two pair of ſtairs, at the drawers; and in a quarter of an hour afterwards I ſaw her go out with a bundle; the woman ſhe robbed had been very ill, and ſhe attended her.

JOHN GREGG *ſworn.*

I am a watchman, in St. Martin's-lane; I had information from a ſerjeant of the guards, and I went to the priſoner's apartment, and found on her perſon theſe clothes.

MARTHA POTTS *ſworn.*

(Depoſes to the things.)

PRISONER's DEFENCE.

Do you think if I ſtole them, that I ſhould have the impudence to wear them; ſhe lent them to me.

Proſecutor. I never lent her any.

GUILTY, 39s.

But not Guilty of breaking and entering.

Tried by the ſecond Middleſex Jury before Mr. Baron HOTHAM.

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382. RICHARD JONES was indicted for feloniouſly ſtealing, on the 5th of September, a gelding, price 42s. the property of William Rowley and Charles Rowley.

WIILLIAM ROWLEY *ſworn.*

I bought this horſe, and my brother has a joint property in it, to ſell a few things about, being lame, and ſelling greens, and roots, and old rags; my arm was ſo bad I could not work; and I turned my horſe, (by leave) into Mr. Rhodes's field; the priſoner made bricks there; I went to ſee for him, and going down Cow Croſs, I heard of a horſe, and I went and found it was my horſe; there are a great many vacancies for a horſe to get out of the field.

ELIZABETH BOSWELL *ſworn.*

I am licenſed for ſlaughtering; I am a widow; on Tueſday night of the 5th of September, the horſe was brought by the priſoner; to the beſt of my knowledge he is the lad; if I ſaid he was not I ſhould perjure myſelf; I am poſitive ſure it was him; I detained the horſe and boy; I thought he did not come honeſtly by it; it was a bay horſe, and blind, his knees were broke, and lame withal.

Priſoner. I have nothing to ſay.

Court to Jury. Gentlemen, in ſuch a caſe, to ſee ſuch a boy brought into ſuch a ſituation, for ſuch a horſe, muſt give pain to your minds as well as to ours; but my brother Gould, whoſe humanity is as large as his knowledge, has ſuggeſted to me,

me, that there have been cases in which a jury have fixed the value of the horse at 10d. now, if ever there was a case of that kind, this is that very case, therefore, if you think fit to find him guilty value 10d it will of course save him from the punishment attendant on the crime of horsestealing.

GUILTY of stealing a gelding, value 10d. (Aged 14.)

On the application of Mr. Sheriff Anderson, the prisoner was ordered to be privately whipped and delivered to the order of the Sheriff.

Tried by the second Middlesex Jury before Mr. Baron HOTHAM.

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383. ROBERT COBB was indicted for feloniously breaking and entering the dwelling-house, of William Allen, no person being therein, about the hour of four in the afternoon, of the 10th of September, and feloniously stealing therein a cotton gown, value 2s. a man's linen shirt, value 2s. two shifts, value 18d. a glass quart bottle, value 1d. and a quart of geneva, value 2s. his property.

WILLIAM ALLEN *sworn.*

On the 10th instant my house was robbed; about half after twelve I came home; I went to meet a man that had been inquiring for work, and I said I will give you a winter's work; and I gave him sixpence for dinner; he said he had no money.

JAMES SMITH *sworn.*

About seven in the evening, I saw the prisoner with a linen gown, I should know it again; he offered it me for sale for two shillings and a pot of twopenny, and I bought it of him.

——— WHEELER *sworn.*

I had the gown from James Smith's house, in the morning after the robbery.

(Deposed to.)

Prisoner. I found the gown near Turnham Green.

GUILTY. 2s.

But not of breaking and entering.

Tried by the second Middlesex Jury before Mr. Baron HOTHAM.

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384. BENJAMIN SWEET was indicted for stealing, on the 17th of June, a pair of silver shoe buckles, value 5s. and a silver pepper castor, value 5s. the property of Benjamin Strickland.

The prisoner took the things from his master, and went away, and came back, and confessed the whole.

(The pawnbroker produced the things deposed to.)

Prisoner. I took them to get a little money to go to sea.

GUILTY.

To be privately whipped, and delivered over to Mr. Sheriff Anderson's order.

Tried by the first Middlesex Jury before Mr. Baron HOTHAM.

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385. WILLIAM WAINE was indicted for burglariouſly and feloniouſly breaking and entering the dwelling houſe of William Robinſon, at the hour of twelve in the night, on the 8th of May, and ſtealing therein, four ſilver candleſticks, value 4l. three ſilver waiters, value 5l. one ſilver cruet ſtand, value 5l. one plated bread baſket, value 20s. one wine funnel, value 20s. one ſoup ladle, value 15s. one fiſh trowel, value 20s. one marrow ſpoon, value 5s. four ſalt cellars, value 20s. four ſalt ſpoons, value 4s. one gravy ſpoon, value 30s. ſeven bottle labels, value 40s. two ſilver ſauce boats, value 5l. a ſauce ladle, value 5s. a coffee pot, value 3l. a pair of tea tongs, value 10s. twelve ſilver table ſpoons, value 6l. nine ſilver tea ſpoons, value 9s. one gold watch, value 4l. two gold rings, ſet with diamonds, value 20s. and one pair of reading glaſſes, his property.

(The caſe opened by Mr. Garrow.)

ADAM WRIGHT *ſworn.*

I am ſervant to Mr. Robinſon, in Old Broad Street; I faſtened the doors and windows, on Tueſday the 8th of May; we have three female ſervants; this was on Tueſday night; I always went round to ſee all ſafe; I was the laſt who went to bed; our bed time is generally a little before eleven; between five and ſix the next morning I was alarmed by the ringing of the bell; I went down ſtairs, and diſcovered a quantity of linen laying about the paſſage; the ſtreet door was half way open, and two watchmen ſtanding on the ſteps at the door; I alarmed the houſe, and then went into the kitchen, and found the door forced open; at the bottom of the ſtairs, the window of the kitchen was forced open; I think they got in at the window, it was forced open, the ſaſh was ſhoved down, and an arm muſt have been put down the light-hole cut in the ſhutter, and by that means the bar was taken down; I ſaw a great quantity of things in the paſſage; theſe things had been part in my maſter's room, and part in the parlour; it was light a conſiderable time before I came down.

WILLIAM ROBINSON, Eſq. *ſworn.*

The plate is worth between two and three hundred pounds; I offered one hundred pounds rewards.

WRIGHT

—— WRIGHT *ſworn.*

The night of this robbery, all the plate was in my pantry, which is a little way from the kitchen.

MARIA UPWELL *ſworn.*

I live with John Monk; I lived with him at the time of the robbery; I knew Waine before Eaſter; John Monk came home between nine and ten in evening, very much diſguiſed in liquor, and laid down on the bed; this was on Tueſday, the 7th of May; between ten and eleven Percival came up ſtairs, and then about eleven Waine came; upon Waine's coming, Percival ſaid to Monk, come Jack, will you go? he was unwilling to go, and ſaid, I think it will do another night; Percival ſaid the family all went out of town this afternoon, I ſaw them in their carriage; I was in bed with another woman, of the name of Deacon; there was an iron crow and a rook, in a *Plant* under the bed, which they pulled out, then they all went out; this was about 11 or 12; I heard them ſay they were going to do ſome place in Broad Street; Monk went out, and left his Money with me, he returned between ſix and ſeven, and brought home ſome new guineas, and pieces of ſilver, that looked as though they had been hoarded; between ten and eleven Waine came up ſtairs, and a man came up ſtairs with a handbill, and ſaid, ſee what a capital robbery has been done in Broad Street, upon which all our countenances changed; then Monk went upon the ſtair caſe, and pulled out more of the ſilver, ſome crowns, and half crowns, and ſhillings from his pocket when the man went; Monk ſold the ſilver, which was twenty-ſeven ſhillings, for a guinea; Waine came frequently to our lodgings; we removed from thoſe furniſhed lodgings; I was not before Mr. Spiller.

ELIZABETH DEACON *ſworn.*

On Tueſday night, Robert Percival came to Monk's lodgings; I live with him and Maria Upwell; about twelve at night Waine came; Waine aſked Monk, if he would go, and Monk ſaid, another night will do as well; Percival ſaid, all the family are gone out of town, I ſaw them in a coach; then they all went out, and Monk returned between five and ſix in the morning; Waine came between ten and eleven o'clock, and preſently a man came up with a handbill; afterwards Monk ſaid, what ſhall I do with my ſilver? and Waine ſaid, mine is ſafe, and I will give you a guinea for it, upon which he did; when they went to commit the robbery, Waine had a cane under his coat, and ſaid he would knock down the firſt who touched him; (a thick cane about eighteen inches long produced) that is the cane; there is a place underneath the head of the bed, where they uſed to put their tools; William Waine took a *Rook* from under the head of the bed, in order to do which he removed the bed and got it out; I have lived with Monk and Upwell two months; I knew Monk to be a common thief; I have left them about four months; I live now at Shoreditch, at a chandler-ſhop, as a ſervant; I knew Waine only while I was there; theſe people went out once or twice a week upon jobs of this ſort.

Wright. I ſaw the cane in the cloſet, I had it of my fellow ſervant John, before ſix in the morning; there was no ſuch cane in the coſet overnight.

JOHN MONK *ſworn.*

I have for ſome years paſt ſupported myſelf by thieving; Waine and Percival aſſiſted me to rob the houſe of Mr. Robinſon; I went home on Tueſday night, the 7th of May, and laid down on the bed, I was in liquor; Percival came to me and and told me he knew of a place where there was a great deal of plate, in a back parlour, that a plaſterer had told him of it, and ſaid he knew all about it; I ſaid I would rather defer it, and he ſaid that would be the beſt night, as the family were out of town; he ſaid it was of great conſequence, and we all agreed to go; and Percival ſaid then we ſhall all get a great deal

deal of money; the tools we uſed were under a board at the head of the bedſtead; Upwell and Deacon were in bed, I deſired them to get out, and Waine ſaid no, we will give you a ride, the bed was removed, and we took out a large iron crow; I aſked him if he had a light, he ſaid yes, he had phoſphorus; Waine had a ſhort piece of cane, which he ſaid was to knock down the watchmen, if they were to moleſt him; it was a plain piece; he ſaid he got that cane at a warehouſe in Cheapſide, by way of ſample, and if it would fetch any thing, he could get plenty more; we then went to Broad Street, and Waine having the crow, got over the area rails, and worked ſome time, then he called us over, and ſaid, I have opened the window, then we got over, and he opened the kitchen door, and let us in; Waine prepared a light; there were ſeveral things in the kitchen; then we went up to the back parlour, we opened a box, and found ſome plated candleſticks, by cutting the bottoms; we left that, and went to a deſk, and Waine broke open the deſk, and we found a ring in a black caſe, a watch with a dark coloured caſe and a gold inſide caſe; then we went to another deſk, and got ſome pieces of old money; we found a great deal of plate; we got into the houſe about half paſt twelve, and ſtaid till paſt five; we looked out of the parlour window and ſaw the watchmen, and ſtaid till they were gone off their beat; then we went to Broker's Row, and I met Charles Clarke; there was myſelf, Waine, and Percival, and I aſked him how he did, this may be about a quarter of a mile from the houſe, I had then a waiter under my arm, Waine had a coffee pot, and ſeveral articles tied in a bird's-eye handkerchief; then we went to Bunhill Row; we all had plate tied up in each parcel, in a bird's-eye handkerchief; then we went to Cowheel-Alley, and ſaw ſome people at work; we were to give the people ſomething to let us conceal the property, till we could find a purchaſer; Waine ſent for Mrs. Paget, and we ſold the plate at 4s. per ounce; my ſhare for the plate was twenty guineas; we ſold the plated baſket and watch for four guineas; Percival was not to have any ſhare in the rings; Waine and I kept them for ourſelves; Waine came about twelve next day, Percival was there, and an acquaintance called upon me, and ſhewed me a handbill of the robbery, and I was afraid to keep the ſilver coin, as they appeared to be hoards; Percival was not to have any ſhare of the ſilver; I ſold the ſilver to Waine 27s. (for a guinea;) he lived in Bell-alley, Golden-lane; and as he kept a pig in his cellar, he could bury it better than I could; I was apprehended for this robbery, but there was a charge of another robbery; I was tried for robbing my maſter, but I was acquitted; I have always frequented public houſes of ill fame; I have ſeen Clarke to-day, he ſat in the ſame box over the way, and I ſaw him after the robbery, and I ſaid to Clarke, how do you do?

CHARLES CLARKE *ſworn.*

I am a bookbinder, in Queen's-ſquare, Moorfields; I am not acquainted with the priſoner; on Wedneſday morning, 9th of May, about a quarter paſt five, I met Waine, Percival, and Monk, in Moorfields, they were all three carrying bundles, two of them had ſilk handkerchiefs of a dark colour, one of a paler colour, it appeared to be an old handkerchief, they were different patterns; Waine and Percival's handkerchiefs appeared a-like, Monk's was inferior in quality, and paler in colour, Monk's did not quite cover the contents, and it appeared to me to be of white metal, ſilver, or ſomething elſe, I paſſed them very quick, and Monk nodded; I believe I was ſent for to the office, and I picked Waine out; I have no doubt of his being the perſon; there were between twenty or thirty in the office, but he was along with four others; I know none of them, only by ſight; I have ſeen Waine with him at the public-houſe; I was ſet to watch a door in Fore-ſtreet, he was in the lottery, I was put there and ordered to let in

in none but thoſe I knew, I know there is a reward of 100l. and I expect to be paid a part of it only, by way of recompence for loſs of time; when I met them I did not hear them ſpeak to me.

GEORGE LAW *ſworn.*

I am conſtable of Enfield; the firſt week in July, I went in purſuit of the priſoner, and I ſaw him going acroſs the road at Ponder's-end towards Enfield, he turned round and ſaw Liſle, the conſtable, and then he ſet off running, he jumped over a gate into a field, and I told two men to go over, and there he was found hid.

EDWARD LISLE *ſworn.*

I am a conſtable at Ponder's-end; on Wedneſday, early in July, I went after Waine at Ponder's-end, he was walking acroſs the road, I walked after him, and as ſoon as he ſaw me, he ſet off running, and he leaped over a gate, and I went after him; he jumped over a hedge, and I after him; the place he was taken in was a field in Bedwell; I had known him ſeven or eight days.

ANOTHER WITNESS *ſworn.*

I took the priſoner at Ponder's-end, in the ditch.

Priſoner. I leave it to my counſel.

The priſoner called one witneſs to his character.

GUILTY, Death.

Tried by the London Jury before Mr. RECORDER.

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386. JOHN BUCKLE was indicted for ſtealing, on the 6th of September laſt, a ſilver watch, value 3l. a ſteel watch-chain, value 12d. a ſteel ſeal, value 1d. the property of Jane Clarkſon, in her dwelling-houſe.

JANE CLARKSON *ſworn.*

I keep a houſe in Little Pultney-ſtreet; I loſt a watch on Thurſday night, I ſaw it about ten minutes after eight; when I firſt miſſed it, about nine, I ſent my daughter to Eſſex-ſtreet, to Mr. Clarkſon's, and I found it at Mr. Brown's, in Longacre, that is, my daughter found it; I took up the priſoner; the watch was my watch.

Court. Did the priſoner lodge with you?—Yes; three weeks.

ELIZABETH CLARKSON *ſworn.*

I carried one of theſe handbills to Brown the pawnbroker's, and found the watch there.

JOHN BROWN *ſworn.*

I am nephew to Mr. Brown the pawnbroker; I received this watch of the priſoner for 5s. and afterwards 1l.

(Depoſed to.)

Mr. Garrow, priſoner's counſel. I believe you had a very good opinion of this young man? Yes.

An extraordinary character? he had lived in the firſt families, the Duke of Clarence, the Duke of Queenſbury, Lord Tankerville.

The priſoner called two witneſſes, who gave him a very good character.

GUILTY. 25s.

Fined 1s. and impriſoned ſix months.

Tried by the ſecond Middleſex Jury before Mr. Baron HOTHAM.

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387. ELEANOR COGE was indicted for ſtealing, on the 12th day of Auguſt, two ſheets, value 10s. and one linen blanket, value 12 pence, the goods of James Eager, in a lodging room.

JAMES EAGER *ſworn.*

I am a gardner, in Brick-lane, I let a lodging to Coge, about ſeven weeks ſince, ſhe was to pay 3s. per week, it was furniſhed, ſhe ſtaid about ſix weeks; then ſhe left it, and left the laſt week's rent unpaid; ſhe took the lodging; Joſeph Booth, who I thought her huſband, came home, and ſaid he had not received his wages, and could not pay his week's rent, as his maſter had not paid him; I went up next morning, and found the room door half opened, I went in and diſcovered my loſs.

ANN EAGER *ſworn.*

The priſoner took the lodging of me, I followed my huſbaud, and miſſed the things.

The PAWNBROKER's SERVANT *ſworn.*

I know the priſoner very well; I produce two ſheets and a blanket; I took them in of the priſoner at three different times, firſt 25th of July, one ſheet 2s 30th of July, another ſheet 11th of Auguſt, a blanket (produces the ſheets and blanket) I took them all in of the priſoner.

Ann Eager. The ſheets are marked A. E. the blanket has a dirty ſtain upon it.

(Depoſes to the ſheets.)

James Eager. I found the duplicates upon her whenſhe was taken.

Priſoner. The man I lived with was out of work, and if he had been in work, he would have redeemed them.

GUILTY. (Aged 34.)

Impriſoned 6 months, and find 1s.

Tried by the ſecond Middleſex Jury before Mr. RECORDER.

388. JOSEPH BURFORD was indicted for feloniouſly ſtealing, on the 6th day of Auguſt laſt, a cloth coat, value 50s, and a ſilver watch, value 30s. the goods of Charles Sommerville, in his dwelling-houſe.

CHARLES SOMMERVILLE *ſworn,*

I employed the priſoner to work for me, I am a taylor; the 6th of Auguſt, Monday, I loſt a coat and watch; I am a lodger, I went out about ten, and returned a quarter after; I had left the priſoner in my room, on my return he was gone, and my door locked; I wandered about till four o'clock, then I broke open the door, and diſcovered the coat and watch to be gone; I found the watch at the pawnbroker's, the coat he ſold.

JOHN WOODWARD *ſworn.*

I am a conſtable in St. John's-lane; on the 14th of Auguſt the priſoner was brought into the watch-houſe, I ſearched him, and he told me the duplicate was at his lodgings; I found it there.

JAMES VINCENT *ſworn.*

I am a pawnbroker; I produce a ſilver watch, I took it in of the priſoner about eleven or twelve in the forenoon, on the 8th of Auguſt; he came and he had more money on it.

THOMAS DENHAM *ſworn.*

I only know of taking him into cuſtody.

(The watch depoſed to by the proſecutor.)

PRISONER's DEFENCE.

I have but little to ſay in my defence, my Lord; I have been guilty of ſome follies, but I never before violated the laws of my country, there I humbly throw myſelf on the mercy of the court.

GUILTY. 30s.

Tranſported for ſeven years.

Tried by the firſt Middleſex Jury before Mr. RECORDER.

389.

389. JOHN GAITSKILL was indicted for ſtealing, on the 14th of Auguſt, three linen handkerchiefs, value 3s. two lawn handkerchiefs, value 5s. one muſlin handkerchief, value 3s. and two muſlin neckclothes, value 6s. the goods of William Prater.

(The caſe opened by Mr. Knowlys.)

WILLIAM PRATER *ſworn.*

I am a linen-draper, at Charing-Croſs, the priſoner became my ſervant in March, on Auguſt 14th I diſcharged him; I told him I had a ſuſpicion, and muſt examine his box; I went up ſtairs and examined his box, I deſired him to let me examine further, which he refuſed; then I called up Mr. Huſband; I then looked further, I found ſomething not not marked; I then looked both the boxes, and gave Mr. Huſband the keys, and ordered the priſoner out of my houſe, and never to come near my houſe any more; he came next day, and wiſhed me to be reconciled; I told him to be gone, or I would ſend for a conſtable; I told him if he did not immediately depart I would ſend him to Botany-Bay, he would not go, ſo at lenth I ſent for a conſtable; I produce the property which I ſwear to.

(The priſoner called four witneſſes, who gave him a good character.)

GUILTY. (Aged 24.)

Tranſported for ſeven years.

Tried by the ſecond Middleſex Jury before Mr. RECORDER.

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390. WILLIAM KELLEY was indicted for ſtealing, on the 13th of Auguſt, a cloth coat, value 2s. four cotton waiſtcoats, value 2s. a pair of leather ſhoes, value 1d. the goods of John Perrot, and a linen table cloth, value 2s. the goods of John Aſkell Buſhnell, Eſq.

JOHN PARROT *ſworn.*

I am butler to Mr. Buſhnell; on Monday, the 13th of Auguſt, the things were miſſed from the butler's pantry; I had been abſent about an hour, or an hour and an half; I found the priſoner in cuſtody when I came back; there was no part of the houſe broke.

BARNABAS BRIGHT *ſworn.*

I am a gentleman's coachman; I was in John Street, and the priſoner paſſed; ſomebody gave an alarm, and I did alſo; he threw down a coat, four waiſtcoats, a pair of ſhoes, and a linen table cloth; I have kept them every ſince.

(Produces them.)

MARTHA ROUND *ſworn.*

I am a chairman; I purſued the priſoner and took him.

JAMES CUTLER *ſworn.*

I am ſervant to Mr. Buſhnell; I ſaw the priſoner come with a bundle of the things, and I gave an alarm; I did not ſee him; I came up ſoon after; he is the lad I ſaw at firſt.

(John Parrot depoſed to the coat.)

Priſoner. I worked at Brentford, as a plumber and glazier; I had been drinking, and coming by the proſecutor's door I heard an alarm, and I ran as others did, but know nothing of the affair.

The priſoner called five witneſſes, who gave him a good character.

GUILTY. (Aged 25.)

Tried by the firſt Middleſex Jury before Mr. RECORDER.

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391. MARGARET MASHALL and MARY RYAN were indicted for feloniouſly ſtealing, on the 9th of July laſt, a piece

piece of printed cotton, value 20s. the property of Thomas Gibſon, privately from his ſhop.

JOHN PROBERT PRICE *ſworn.*

I live with Mr. Gibſon, No. 35, in Oxford Road, a linen draper; I was in the ſhop, about five in the evening of the 9th of July, alone, when the two priſoners came in, between five and ſix in the evening; I am certain to them; I never ſaw them before; Marſhall had bought a gown before, and left ſome money on it; and ſhe came to take it away; and ſhe ſaid, ſhe had loſt a gown of Ryan's, and ſhe muſt buy another; they then aſked to look at ſome more prints, and I took down a great many; they were very difficult; I watched them; and at laſt they aſked for ſix yards of one of the prints, which I cut, and it came to 15s. and they had only 18d. to pay in part; then they aſked me to look at ſome very elegant muſlins; which I thought odd, as they had no money; I ſhewed her one, and aſked her 34s. ſhe offered me a guinea; I rolled up the muſlins and put them away; they went out of the ſhop, and were gone about one hundred and twenty yards; I followed them, and deſired them to come back, which they did; and coming back I found the piece of linen under Marſhall's foot; they were going, I detained them; there was no cuſtomer in the ſhop when they came in or when they went out.

(Depoſed to by the private mark.)

BENJAMIN CLEMENT *ſworn.*

I was not the way when the priſoners came in (coroborates the laſt witneſs.)

DANIEL DANCEY *ſworn.*

(Depoſed to the cotton.)

Priſoner Marſhall. I had nothing upon me.

Priſoner Ryan. She aſked me to go with her; I know nothing at all about it

The priſoners Marſhall and Ryan called each three witneſſes, who gave them good characters.

MARGARET MARSHALL, GUILTY.
MARY RYAN, NOT GUILY.

Tried by the firſt Middleſex Jury before Mr. Baron HOTHAM.

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391. FREDERICK ROSE was indicted for ſtealing, on the 21ſt of Auguſt laſt, a pair of linen ſheets, value 4s. the property of Richard Sherwood, in a lodging room.

RICHARD SHERWOOD *ſworn.*

I live at No. 76, Charlotte Street, the 20th of Auguſt I let the priſoner a ſingle room, at half a crown a week, three pair of ſtairs; he ſlept there that night; he went away a quarter before nine on the 21ſt; I ſaw him again the ſame day at twelve with a gentleman he lived with, in Devonſhire-ſtreet; I went up into the room about a quarter after ten; I miſſed the ſheets; I took him into cuſtody; I ſaw my ſheets the ſame afternoon at the magiſtrates, about four in the afternoon; I am ſure they are the ſheets he ſlept in that night.

JAMES HEMMINGS *ſworn.*

I am the conſtable; I had the ſheets before the magiſtrate.

—— MORRIS *ſworn.*

I am a pawnbroker; I believe theſe are the ſheets I took in from one Mary Potts in the name of Elizabeth Harrington, who ſhe ſaid was her miſtreſs.

MARY POTTS *ſworn.*

I lived with Elizabeth Harrington at the time my miſtreſs gave them to me to pledge.

ELIZABETH HARRINGTON *ſworn.*

Frederick Roſe came to me before I was up, and he brought theſe ſheets in his pocket,

pocket, and aſked me to let my ſervant take them, and I ſaid I did not care, if they were his own; I have known him ſeveral years, but never knew where he lodged.

What way of life are you in?—I am an unfortunate woman, my lord.

(Depoſed to.)

GUILTY.

Fined 1s. *and impriſoned ſix months.*

Tried by the firſt Middleſex Jury before Mr. Baron HOTHAM.

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392. JAMES MORRIS was indicted for ſtealing, on the 10th day of September, a ſilk cloak, value 15s. the goods of Hannah Lewis.

WILLIAM LONSDALE *ſworn.*

On Monday night, between nine and ten, I entered my houſe, and ſaw the priſoner; I live in Bridges-ſtreet, Covent Garden; on coming in, and ſeeing a ſtranger, I aſked who was there; he ſaid, a friend; the maid, on hearing my voice, ran up much agitated; the priſoner was ſearched, and in his breeches was found a ſilk cloak.

HANNAH LEWIS *ſworn.*

I am ſervant to Mr. Lonſdale; the cloak is mine; I was at home, but did not know any perſon was in the houſe; the cloak was up three pair of ſtairs.

MOSES MORANT *ſworn.*

I was ſent for on Monday laſt, to Mr. Lonſdale, to ſearch the priſoner, and found this cloak in the priſoner's breeches; I have had it ever ſince.

Hannah Lewis (Depoſes to the cloak.)

GUILTY. (Aged 32.)

Fined 1s. *and impriſoned ſix month.*

Tried by the firſt Middleſex Jury before Mr. Baron HOTHAM.

393. THOMAS COOPER was indicted for ſtealing, on the 3d of September, thirty pound weight of lead, value 4s. and two ſpickets and faucets, value 6d. the goods of Moſes Huguenin.

PHILIP PECKHAM *ſworn.*

I am a carpenter; the priſoner was my journeyman; on the 3d of September, a few minutes before ſeven, I ſaw Cooper coming down ſtairs, with his baſket in his hand; and thinking he was too ſoon to leave work, I followed him, and ſaw lead in his baſket; and I thought it too flagrant to be overlooked; and I watched him in to an old iron ſhop; I then went to a conſtable, and ſecured him in the ſhop; we took him to the new police office in Marlborough-ſtreet; I found the lead in his baſket, when I returned with the conſtable; I was not gone a minute; I compared the lead, it belonged to a gutter of a front houſe, in which the priſoner had no buſineſs; it appeared to have been cut a week by the workmen, and depoſited a week.

MOSES HUGUENIN *ſworn.*

I really believe it to be part of my lead, having compared it.

GUILTY.

Fined 1s. *and impriſoned ſix months.*

Tried by the firſt Middleſex Jury before Mr. Baron HOTHAM.

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394. JOHN COOK and THOMAS COOK were indicted for burglariouſly and feloniouſly breaking and entering the dwelling-houſe of Thomas Davis; on the 5th of Auguſt, about the hour of two in the night; and feloniouſly ſtealing therein, one pair of worſted ſtockings, value 6d. a lump of ſugar, weighing ſixteen pound, value 12s. one quart of brandy, value 12d. one quart of rum, value 12d. one quart of geneva, value 12d. three hundred and ſixty eight halfpence, and two hundred and ſixty ſeven farthings, value 1l. 15s. 6¾d. a wooden

a wooden till, value 6d. and a linen handkerchief, value 6d. the property of Thomas Davis.

THOMAS DAVIS *ſworn.*

I keep a public houſe, the ſign of the Cooper's-arms, in Chick-lane; on the 5th of Auguſt, my houſe was broke open; my ſervant had locked up every thing ſafe at night; I went to bed a little before twelve; I ſaw all ſafe; about three o'clock I was alarmed by the watchman, and came down in the paſſage, and found the door a little open; I found a candle and a punch bowl; and then I went into the back part of the houſe, and ſaw a window ſhutter bored in nine different places, by an inſtrument in my pocket; the window was burſt open, and the window ſhutters broke; and the ſhutters of the bar were broke open, there was a till, full of halfpence, and a lump of ſugar of ſixteen pounds weight taken out; I found a pair of ſtockings upon John Cook; I heard a man had been apprehened near Red Lion Square, and I went and found John Cook; I found theſe inſtruments in the bar of my houſe; the priſoners have been ſeen with them in my houſe many times.

ANN DAVIS *ſworn.*

I am wife to the laſt witneſs; I know the ſtockings and handkerchief, by the waſhing and mending.

JOHN LANE *ſworn.*

I produce a pair of ſtockings and a handkerchief; the priſoners were brought into the watch-houſe on the 5th of Auguſt; I was conſtable of the night, at St. Giles's watch-houſe; I took the ſtockings from John Cook, and the handkerchief from Thomas Cook, and a quantity of halfpence and farthings to the amount of 1l. 15s. 6¾d. they were found on Thomas Cook.

(Mrs. Davis depoſes to the ſtockings and handkerchief, and two pieces of coin.)

MARY HODGES *ſworn.*

I know theſe ſtockings by the waſhing.

JOHN WARD *ſworn.*

I apprehended Thomas Cook, at three o'clock in the morning, in Weſton's Park; he threw down the halfpence, and on him I found this handkerchief.

RICHARD WILLEY *ſworn.*

I took John Cook, at the end of Red Lion Street; I ſearched him, and took theſe ſtockings out of his pocket, and delivered him to Mr. Lane.

Jury, Let us ſee the inſtruments Mr. Davis.

(Handed to the Jury.)

THOMAS COOK's DEFENCE.

Davis and his wife keep a very bad houſe; and him and his wife are both receivers of ſtolen property.

JOHN COOK's DEFENCE.

I bought the ſtockings, they are not Davis's property; I bought them of a Jew.

JOHN COOK, GUILTY, Death. (Aged 18)
THO. COOK, GUILTY, Death. (Aged 24)

Tried by the firſt Middleſex Jury before Mr. Baron HOTHAM.

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395. THOMAS STYX, otherwiſe WOOD, and WILLIAM TOWNSEND, were indicted for feloniouſly aſſaulting Frederick Colby; on a certain open place, near the king's highway, on the 5th of Auguſt laſt; and putting him in fear; and feloniouſly taking from his perſon, and againſt his will, a linen ſhirt, value 10d. his property.

FREDERICK COLBY *ſworn.*

I was at work, and my maſter gave me an old ſhirt; I took a walk to the Bull's-head, the corner of John's Street: then I went into the field next Merlin's Cave, and I ſell

I fell aſleep, and was awaked by a violent blow on the head; it was about two o'clock, and moonlight; but I could not ſee, becauſe they put their hands to my eyes; one of the four, I do not know which, ſaid d—n your eyes, have you any money? they ſearched me, and I had a few halfpence, but they did not find them; one of them ſwore he would ſtick a knife into me; they kept beating me; I was ſcarcely able the next day to move; they took my ſhirt; then I went away, and found the patrol at the Angel, and he went with others, and took the two priſoners; I know my ſhirt.

WILLIAM STEDMAN *ſworn.*

I am the ſuperintendant of the patrol; this man gave me an account of what had paſſed; I took him under my care, to leave him along w th the watchman; I appointed the watch to meet me, to go and examine ſome hay ſtacks of Mr. Bartholomew; as I went I met two patrols with the priſoners and the ſhirt.

THOMAS CONNER *ſworn.*

I am one of the patrol; I remember apprehending the two priſoners, in conſequence of ſome information, on the 5th of Auguſt in the morning, me and my partner went into a brickfield near Collier Street, Iſlington; and waited behind a brick-kiln; and theſe two men came there, and ſeeing us they turned back, and we followed them; and I firſt took Styx, and left him with my partner; and afterwards the priſoner Townſend; I am ſure the other man was one of the three; I took the ſhirt out of his boſom; he ſaid he bought it in Field-lane, and gave 16d. for it.

THOMAS MAHON *ſworn.*

I was one of the patrol; I ſaw the two men taken; the ſhirt was found on Styx, not on Townſend.

(Depoſed to by a hole, and not ironed.)

PRISONER STYX' DEFENCE.

I work at bricks very hard for my living; I met William Townſend, and we each bought a ſhirt, and gave 16d. for a ſhirt.

PRISONER TOWNSEND's DEFENCE.

I was with Styx; we went and bought a ſhirt, I gave 21d. for mine.

THOMA STYX, GUILTY, Death.
WM. TOWNSEND, NOT GUILTY.

Tried by the firſt Middleſex Jury before Mr. Baron HOTHAM.

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396. JAMES AULKIN was indicted for feloniouſly aſſaulting James Williams, on the king's highway, on the 1ſt of Auguſt laſt, and putting him in fear, and feloniouſly taking from his perſon and againſt his will, a piece of ſilver coin, value half a crown, and 3s. 6d. in monies, numbered his monies.

JAMES WILLIAM *ſworn.*

I was robbed the 1ſt of Auguſt, between ten and eleven at night, the bottom of Highgate-hill, in the pariſh of Hornſey; I had come in a chaiſe from Barnet, and had then juſt got out of it, at the end of Finchley Common, by the Bald Faced Stag; I obſerved two men riding very faſt, they rode paſt me; I ſuſpected them at firſt; but at the bottom of Highgate-hill two men came from the ſide of a hedge, cloſe by a hay-ſtack; the ſame two men, after I had paſſed by where they ſtood in the ditch, about thirty yards; they came galloping out of the ditch, and called ſtop; one of them ſaid, d—n your eyes, give me your money; he then pulled out a piſtol, and held it to me; I objected to giving him my money, and endeavoured to take him by the collar, to pull him off his horſe; he then ſaid, b—ſt your eyes, I will blow your brains out; my wife then ſaid, give the gentlemen your money; accordingly I gave him 14s. (half a guinea and 3s. 6d.) the other took the money from rather behind the chaiſe; the priſoner then ſaid, d—n my eyes this is nothing; he

he then went to Mrs. Williams, and preſented the piſtol to her, and demanded her money; and ſearched the chaiſe; the men rode off back again, towards Finchley; they were with us about five minutes; the moon ſhone very bright; I took particular notice of the priſoner, and I am ſure of him; the next evening I was informed of the inn where the two men hired their horſes; I waited for him, and ſoon after he went by; I collared him; he had nothing over his face; I ſaid, you are the man that robbed me laſt night; he ſaid, you are miſtaken; I ſaid, I know you better now by your voice, as well as your face; I ſearched him, and found a brace of piſtols, loaded (one with two balls) and a black crape pinned in his lining; I likewiſe ſaw the horſe he was on in the ſtable, and knew him again.

WILLIAM SANDERS *ſworn.*

I was at the corner of Charles-ſtreet, Oxford-road; and about half after one this priſoner put me on a grey horſe, and I took it to Mr. Calvert's livery ſtables, the New Inn, Tottenham-court-road for him; I cannot fix any time when it was.

MOSES MORANT *ſworn.*

I apprehended the priſoner; they ſaid they had ſearched him, and found eight ſhillings; I found a brace of piſtols on him.

JOHN FAWKNER *ſworn.*

I live with Mr. James Miller; I am the hoſtler; about twelve at night, the priſoner came in on an iron-grey horſe; I never ſaw him before; I cannot tell the evening, but it was the ſame evening as this robbery.

ELIZABETH BARKLEY *ſworn.*

About half paſt twelve o'clock, on the ſecond of Auguſt, I heard a ringing at my maſter's gate bell, in Hanover-ſtreet; I let in two men, one of which was the priſoner; they came in about half after twelve and went away a little paſt one.

PRISONER's DEFENCE.

My lord judge; I have this to ſay, I am innocent of the thing; I have witneſſes.

The priſoner called four witneſſes, who gave him a good character.

GUILTY. Death.

He was humbly recommended to his majeſty's mercy by the jury, on account of his youth; and one of the jury had known him a long time, and never knew any thing againſt him before.

Tried by the ſecond Middleſex Jury before Mr. Baron HOTHAM.

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397. SARAH JONES and HANNAH BACKRACK were indicted, for feloniouſly aſſaulting Sarah Dean, in an open place near the king's highway, on the 19th of Auguſt laſt; and putting her in fear, and feloniouſly taking from her perſon, and againſt her will, a ſilk purſe, value 6d. eight guineas, and a piece of foreign coin, called a dollar her property.

A ſecond count, for aſſaulting her on the king's highway, inſtead of an open place near the king's highway.

Mr. Garrow. All the witneſſes except the ladies are deſired to go out of court.

Priſoners. We wiſh all the witneſſes to go out of court.

SARAH DEAN *ſworn.*

I keep a boarding ſchool at Bethnal-green; on the 19th of Auguſt I went to church, to hear a charity ſermon; I was coming out of church, and there was a great crowd; and I was joſtled, and I felt a hand in my right hand pocket; and immedately I ſaw my purſe in the hand of Jones; one of the young ladies ſeeing me agitated, aſked what I had loſt, I told her, and wiſhed to follow; I ſaw my purſe paſs, and Jones put her hand on my arm; I ſaid it is gone, what is gone? ſays Jones, is the woman mad? I did not ſee any thing more,

more; I ſaw the purſe paſs from her hand to ſome other perſon. Two of the young ladies went after them.

Mr. Garrow, priſoner's counſel. You have recollected ſince you was at the magiſtrate's, that you ſaw the motion of one hand towards another perſon?—From the firſt I did.

I believe you did not mention that before the magiſtrate?—I certainly did.

How far did you ſee Jones after ſhe ſpoke to you?—I ſuppoſe it might be the length of this room.

ELIZABETH RICHARDSON *ſworn.*

I had been at church with Mrs. Dean, and was juſt out of the church-gate: I obſerved Sarah Jones had hold of Mrs. Dean's arm, ſhaking her, and ſaying, "What is the matter with the woman—is ſhe mad?" I ſaw the other priſoner at the top of the ſtreet, ſhortly after; Sarah Jones ran away directly. I aſked Mrs. Dean what was the matter, and what the woman had ſaid. The top of the ſtreet is two hundred yards from where I ſaw Backrack: I went after her, and a young lady with me; we turned the corner; I continued to purſue with a ſecond young lady, and I ſaw them go into the Two Brewers, a publick-houſe. I overtook ſeveral gentlemen, and they went with me: they were ſtanding juſt by the bar. One of the gentlemen ſaid, I had a charge againſt Sarah Jones; I aſked her whether ſhe had not been at Bethnal-green church; ſhe ſaid yes. I aſked her if ſhe remembered a buſtle coming out of the church, and taking hold of a lady's arm: ſhe ſaid yes. I ſaid the lady had loſt her purſe, and I ſuſpected ſhe had it, and ſhould detain her. Backrack was ſtanding by Jones; ſhe was there the whole time; afterwards there was a ſearch made of both of them in our preſence: eight guineas was found on Backrack, and a dollar; the dollar was found under Backrack's foot; Jones was ſearched; nothing was found on her.

Mr. Garrow. There was a conſiderable crowd?—Rather a crowd.

Before theſe perſons were ſearched, they were aſked what money they had, and they each of them told you as the fact turned out, Jones that ſhe had none, and Backrack told you what money ſhe had?—Yes.

You did not find on that day, I believe, Mrs. Dean's purſe?—No.

Mrs. Jones readily acknowledged that ſhe had been at church, that ſhe had been a party in the buſtle, and that ſhe had laid her hand on the lady; and every thing elſe to which you interrogated her?—Yes.

Mr. Fielding. Did Backrack go away from the bar for any purpoſe?—She went out; I went with her.

How far did you go out of this room?—A very little way.

Was that before ſhe was ſearched?—It was.

Mr. Garrow. Who elſe went with her?—Miſs Clarke.

You went with her for the expreſs purpoſe that ſhe ſhould make no ill uſe of that opportunity?—Yes.

MISS CLARKE *ſworn.*

I had been at church, and I ſaw Mrs. Dean ſo much agitated, which drew my attention.

Did you ſee either of the priſoners at the bar there?—Not till I went after Miſs Richardſon, and the other young lady; I did not ſee the priſoner till I came to James-ſtreet; in the middle of James-ſtreet they were both together.

(Depoſes to the ſame effect.)

Mr. Marryatt, one of the priſoner's counſel. As ſoon as ever ſhe had been to the place that we have alluded to, did they not tell you the truth about their pockets?—Jones did; Jones had nothing.

JOSEPH MANERON *ſworn.*

I went to the publick-houſe by deſire of Mrs. Dean, and ſearched the priſoner Backrack; and ſhe had eight guineas and four and ſix-pence, and ſome halfpence; I aſked her if ſhe had any thing more; ſhe ſaid no; I obſerved her ſtooping; I thought

ſhe had ſomething in her ſhoe; I deſired her to pull it off; ſhe did; there was nothing in it. I deſired her to move, and cloſe under where ſhe ſtood lay a dollar; I aſked her if ſhe knew any thing of that, ſhe ſaid yes; O! ſays Jones, I know who gave you that, we can call Tom to witneſs who gave it you.

—— POTTER *ſworn.*

I am a beadle; I ſearched the priſoner Backrack, and found on her eight guineas, but no dollar; ſhe pulled off her ſhoes; there was nothing in them; but on her moving, there was a dollar directly under her feet.

Mrs. Dean. (depoſes to the dollar by a ſcratch) I have had that dollar fourteen or fifteen years.

WILLIAM HILL *ſworn.*

I am a weaver: I found a purſe in Buſby's Fields. Where I found it is out of the road 200 yards from Spitalfields Church to the Two Brewers. I found it the day after it was cried.

—— BARNETT *ſworn.*

I am a butcher: Backrack lived with me as a ſervant; ſhe had a dollar, which ſhe gave a grandchild of mine to play with; but I cannot ſay any particular mark it had; ſhe left me the beginning of Auguſt. I paid her upwards of 9*l.*

The priſoner Jones called nine witneſſes to her character.

SARAH JONES, GUILTY, Larceny.
HANN. BACKRACK, NOT GUILTY.

Tried by the ſecond Middleſex Jury before Mr. Baron HOTHAM.

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398. SAMUEL STARK was indicted for feloniouſly ſtealing on the 7th day of July laſt, one metal watch, value 30s. one ſteel watch-chain, value 6d. and two watch-keys, value 4d. the property of James Flemming.

JAMES FLEMMING *ſworn.*

I am a whiteſmith: on Saturday the 7th of July, in the evening about eight o'clock, I loſt my watch; the maker's name is Wontner. The priſoner was my ſervant.

WILLIAM GLEN *ſworn.*

I am ſervant to a pawnbroker: I produce a watch; I took it in of the priſoner, on the 7th of July; I gave him a duplicate; he pledged it in the name of Samuel Johnſon, for 12s. It was in the evening, about half paſt eight o'clock.

Proſecutor. The priſoner told me if I would excuſe him he would work it out; I told him no, juſtice muſt take place.

GUILTY. (Aged 58.)

Tranſported for ſeven years.

Tried by the ſecond Middleſex Jury before Mr. RECORDER.

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399. WILLIAM DENMAN was indicted for ſtealing, on the 5th of July laſt, 6lb. of raw ſugar, value 2s. the goods of James Gaſcoigne, Thomas Dawſon, and James Dixon.

JAMES GASCOIGNE *ſworn.*

The latter end of June laſt, I had information: in conſequence of it I went upon the wharf, and found the priſoner was in the warehouſe, and I ſaw the priſoner come out of the warehouſe; he was a confidential ſervant, entruſted with all the keys to a great amount. I followed him to a chandler's-ſhop in Thames-ſtreet. I went into the ſhop, and ſaid, "William, where do you come from?" he ſaid, "Sir, I have this moment come from the warehouſe; I came from the warehouſe directly here." I aſked his buſineſs, he ſaid he came to buy his dinner, and produced a ſhilling. I aſked him if he had not ſome other buſineſs; if he had not ſome property about him

him that did not belong to him; he ſaid no, he was ready to be ſearched; I did ſearch him, and under the waiſtband of his breeches was a handkerchief with ſugar; I told him to take it out; he did ſo; I aſked him where he got it; he begged to be forgiven; he had never done any thing of this kind before.

WILLIAM BUNYAN *ſworn.*

I am a porter; I went into the ſhop; Mr. Gaſcoigne gave charge of him.

GUILTY. (Aged 28.)

Tranſported for ſeven years.

Tried by the London Jury before Mr. RECORDER.

.400 WILLIAM SOAMES was indicted for feloniouſly ſtealing on the 3d day of September, 24 dollars, value 5l.—25 pieces of coin, value 20s.—and a quantity of ſilver turnings, value 10s. the goods of James Richards, in his dwelling-houſe.

THOMAS RICHARDS *ſworn.*

I am a watch-caſe maker in Bridgewater-ſquare, Barbican: the priſoner was a weekly ſervant; I had given him three quantities of ſilver, of 114 oz. of new dollars, and fine ſilver; the melting-pot contained the whole quantity, and I ſaw it ſafe in the furnace; I then left the priſoner; the priſoner was burning the turnings from other ſilver; he was to attend the furnace alſo; I was called away, and abſent from five to ten minutes; I went to the melting-pot to put in the remainder of the dollars, and diſcovered a quantity of ſilver turnings that I had not put in, and that had not been run down. I called the priſoner, and aſked him how he came to put the turnings in the melting-pot with the dollars; had he ever done ſo before: he ſaid at firſt that I had ordered him to do ſo, and afterwards that his mind was ſo diſordered, that he did not know what he did; I did not ſuffer him to go out; I was then called to dinner, and not ſuſpecting the man, I ſent up his dinner from my own table. I returned to him in about ten minutes, to melt the other two quantities; it might require an hour and an half; I ſtaid with him till the whole was melted. We have three garrets all in one paſſage; he went to the extremity; I directed him, after pouring off the laſt, to bring them to the ſcale to be weighed; he brought it forward; I weighed, and found a deficiency; he was then below ſtairs; on his return I told him of the deficiency; the priſoner ſaid he could not give any account of it. I ſent two of my men below ſtairs to ſearch. I went down and found under ſome tiles, four and twenty new dollars. I brought them up ſtairs; I aſked the priſoner how he came to be ſuch a raſcal: he ſaid it was the firſt time; he had never done ſo before. I believe the dollars were mine; and the turnings were put in to ſupply their deficiency. There is no particular mark to them. When before the alderman, he ſaid he hoped the gentleman would be merciful. When we firſt put the coin into the melting-pot, it will not hold ſo much as when it is in the ſtate of fuſion. The turnings might, when the pot was in a ſtate of fuſion, have been thruſt down. I had ſent the priſoner to Mr. Binns that day; he had lived with me three months; he brought from thence 350 oz. of dollars.

JOHN WACKERILL *ſworn.*

Mr. Richards ſent for me on the 3d of September, and deſired me to go into the counting-houſe and examine the weights: I did ſo, and then went into the yard, and found the dollars under ſome tiles in the yard. The forge is in a garret over a houſe let out in tenements.

—— PETHIO *ſworn.*

On the 3d of September I went into the yard; I only ſaw Soames go from one ſhop into the other: the ſilver was found in the yard under ſome old tiles.

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The priſoner called ſix witneſſes, who gave him a good character.

GUILTY, *ſtealing, not in dwelling-houſe.*

Tranſported for ſeven years.

Tried by the London Jury before Mr. RECORDER.

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401. JOHN KHEE, alias COE, was indicted for ſtealing, on the 20th of July, 20 iron hoops, value 5s. the goods of John Rixon.

MICHAEL MOORE *ſworn.*

I am a labourer in Mr. Rixon's yard: I ſaw the priſoner take theſe iron hoops, between three and four o'clock; he went into the ſeaſoning-houſe, and brought the hoops out upon his ſhoulder; I followed him and took him: I ſaw him go in without hoops, and come out with them. There were not any hoops in that place, but what were the property of Rixon.

RICHARD HOVIL *ſworn.*

There is nothing in the ſeaſoning-room, but what belongs to Rixon.

GUILTY. *(Whipped.)*

Tried by the ſecond Middleſex Jury before Mr. RECORDER.

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402. JEMIMA ROLFE, alias WEBB, was indicted for feloniouſly breaking and entering in the dwelling-houſe of Edward Hutchins, about the hour of three in the day-time, no perſon being therein, and feloniouſly ſtealing one black ſilk cloak, value 10s. a muſlin apron, value 2s. 6d. a lawn apron, value 2s. three bound books, value 1s. 6d. one pair of woollen ſtockings, value 6d. and other wearing apparel, his property.

EDWARD HUTCHINS *ſworn.*

I am a labouring-man; I keep houſe in the pariſh of Hayes; my houſe was broke open in the morning; my wife was laſt out of, and firſt into the houſe.

MARY HUTCHINS *ſworn.*

My houſe was broke open about a month back. In the morning I went out after my huſband, and faſtened the door; I locked it: the houſe was ſecure; I came out about ſeven in the morning, and returned about ſeven in the evening: a board was taken down from the back-part of the houſe, a place that any perſon might get through; I found the back-door open; I miſſed a ſilk cloak, a muſlin apron, a lawn apron (repeats the articles in the indictment) I ſuſpected Jane Rolfe; ſhe was at my houſe in the morning, and wanted a lodging. My huſband found the things upon her; I ſhould know them again.

Edward Hutchins. I do not recollect the day of the month the robbery was done; it was on Tueſday; on Thurſday I found her at Brentford; the cloak was on her arm, and the other things in a bundle; I have kept the things ever ſince.

(The things produced.)

It was light when we went out, and when we returned. The handkerchief is marked S; the coloured apron was marked; theſe two books belong to us; ſhe made away with one of them; before the juſtice ſhe ſaid ſhe picked the mark out of the cheque apron.

GUILTY of ſtealing to the value of 4s. 10d.

(Aged 25.)

Tranſported for ſeven years.

Tried by the ſecond Middleſex Jury before Mr. RECORDER.

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403. MARY HARRIS was indicted for feloniouſly ſtealing, on the 21ſt of July, a linen

a linen bed-gown, value 2s. the goods of Sarah Hunſworth.

SARAH HUNSWORTH *ſworn.*

I live at No. 22, Cock-lane, Shoreditch, I am a widow; I loſt a bed-gown on Saturday 21ſt of July. Mary Harris came into my ſhop about ſeven in the evening; ſhe aſked me if I had not a gown to diſpoſe of that hung up in the middle of the week: I aſked her what kind of gown; ſhe told me, and ſhe fitted it, and we agreed for the gown at 16s.; then ſhe wanted a ſkirt; I told her I had a black one; I ſhewed it to her, and we agreed for 6s. She aſked then if I had a ſhift; I ſaid yes. Then I aſked Mrs. Waylen to mind the ſhop while I went up ſtairs to fetch one; I came down, and ſhe looked at it, and approved of it, and a double handkerchief: after ſhe had agreed for the things, which came to 27s. then ſhe ſaid, before I pay for them, I will have a quartern of gin; ſhe did not pay for the gin; Mrs. Whaley went for the gin, and informed Mrs. M'Nally, that the woman then in my ſhop had robbed me; Mrs. M'Nally came in, and the priſoner wanted to go out, Mrs. M'Nally ſtopped her; the bed-gown, when I went up, was on a ſhelf behind the counter; there was only Whaley in the ſhop with me and the priſoner.

ELIZABETH WHALEY *ſworn.*

I was at Mrs. Hunſworth's, 12th July: while Mrs. Hunſworth went up to look for a ſhift, Mary Harris came round the counter, and took the bed-gown, and tucked it up her petticoats; I never ſaw the girl before; I went to fetch the gin, and when I came back I told Mrs. Hunſworth that Harris had robbed her; and ſhe ſaid, you b—h, I will cut your bloody liver out.

Mrs. M'NALLY *ſworn.*

I went to Mrs. Hunſworth's by deſire of Whaley; I ſaw the bed-gown under the priſoner's feet: ſhe ſwore ſhe would break the windows if ſhe was not let out, and that ſhe would never leave me till ſhe had my bloody life.

The bed-gown produced by the conſtable, and depoſed to by the proſecutrix.

GUILTY. (Aged 20.)

Tranſported for ſeven years.

Tried by the firſt Middleſex Jury before Mr. COMMON SERJEANT.

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404. WILLIAM LYON was indicted for feloniouſly ſtealing, on the 7th of July, 20lb. weight of ſtarch, value 10s. the goods of Samuel Newell, privately in his ſhop.

SAMUEL NEWELL *ſworn.*

I am a tallow-chandler, the priſoner was taken with 4 papers of ſtarch.

—— LEE *ſworn.*

I get my living in the ſtreets, *I am what they call a Caſtar* ———. I met this lad coming through the lane from the half-way houſe Redman's-Row, he had 4 papers of ſtarch in his apron, there was another boy with him, I ſuſpected they had ſtolen ſomething, I took him and Price going to the watch-houſe; Mr. Newell came out, he was about a quarter of a mile from Newell's houſe; I ſaw this boy hand the ſtarch over the bank. I went up to him and he ſeemed to be eaſing himſelf; I aſked what he had there, he ſaid ſome ſtarch, he was going with it to Catherine Wheel Alley; that was about ten o'clock in the morning, I think on Saturday the 7th of July.

Samuel Newell. This boy was brought by my door and I miſſed 4 papers of ſtarch, they ſupported ſome ruſhes in my window, when I diſcovered the loſs the ruſhes were all looſe; it is marked by the ſtarch-makers and the Exciſe officers.

WILLIAM PRICE *ſworn.*

I produce the Starch (Produces 4 papers) *Proſecutor.* This ſtarch exactly corre-

ſponds with the ſtarch I had at home, and is marked No. 52. I cannot ſay what number of papers I had in the houſe; the ſtarch might coſt about 13s.

Priſoner. A man offered me a ſhilling to carry it to Ratcliff-Highway, and ran away while I was eaſing myſelf.

GUILTY. (Aged 17)

Of ſtealing to the value of 4s 10d.

Tranſported for ſeven years.

Tried by the ſecond Middleſex Jury before Mr. RECORDER.

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405. RICHARD STANIFORTH was dicted for that he on the 8th of Auguſt laſt, being a letter-carrier, employed by the General Poſt Office, feloniouſly did ſecret a letter containing a bank poſt bill, value 10l. the property of William Scarborough; a *ſecond count* alleging it to be a packet inſtead of a letter; a *third* and *fourth counts* laying it to be the property of William Carliſle.

(The witneſſes examined ſeparate.)

(Mr. Garrow opened the indictment, and Mr. Fielding the caſe).

WILLIAM SCARBOROUGH *ſworn.*

I live at St. Neot's, in Huntingdonſhire, on the 7th of Auguſt I ſent a bank poſt bill of 10l. with a Cambridge bill in a letter directed to Mr. William Carliſle, Jermyn-ſtreet, St. James's; it was alſo of the value of 10l I took the number of the bank poſt bill; I put the letter into the poſt myſelf on the 7th of Auguſt about 20 minutes after three (*ſhews him a bill*) this is the bill, I know it by the number 8952; I alſo took the date of the bill, and this is the letter.

JOSEPH HOWITT *ſworn.*

I am poſtmaſter at St Neot's; on the 7th of Auguſt I made up all the bags of letters about four o'clock; I incloſed in that bag all the letters that came that day; I delivered the bag to Thomas Stadwell, the Huntingdon poſt boy.

Mr. Knowlys, Priſoner's Counſel. Do you keep a ſhop?—No, I keep the Croſs Inn.

Who has acceſs to the letters beſides yourſelf, your wife?—Yes.

Perhaps too your ſervants in the inn have acceſs to the place where the letters are depoſited?—No, they cannot get to the place where the letters are depoſited.

How are the letters ſecured?—Secured, it is a private room, there is a hole to put them into out of the yard; I always keep the key.

But may the ſervants get into that room?—When I am delivering the letters in a morning they may; the clerk of the pariſh comes to receive them.

Is the room kept locked?—Yes.

Then only your wife can get into it beſides yourſelf?—No, Sir.

Your wife is not here?—No.

Mr. Garrow. Between three o'clock and the time you make up your bag your ſervants have no acceſs to it?—No.

THOMAS STADWELL *ſworn.*

I am the Huntingdon poſt-boy; on the 7th of Auguſt I received the bag and delivered it about ſix in the evening to Mr. Wimbley, the poſt maſter; about ſeven the bag was ſealed up and put into my mail-cart and locked. It ſtops at a private houſe to take up bye letters at St. Neot's Bridge; it was not opened on that occaſion, I delivered it ſafe at Huntingdon.

JOHN HARRADINE *ſworn.*

I look after the mails when they come in; a bag like this comes to the General Poſt Office ſealed, if unſealed it would be objected to; I received this bag ſafe.

WILLIAM CARLISLE *ſworn.*

I live at No 73, Jermyn-ſtreet; I received the letter in queſtion after my wife had opened it and not before, not until the 9th.

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ANN CARLISLE *ſworn.*

I am wife of Mr. William Carliſle, in Jermyn-ſtreet; I received this letter in the abſence of Mr. Carliſle, on the 9th of Auguſt, it contained a part of a letter from Mr. Scarborough, and a 10l. Cambridge note; I received no letter on the 8th, which was the day in courſe.

Did it contain any bank poſt bill?—No.

HUGH FERGUSON *ſworn.*

I am inſpector of the letter carriers; in the month of Auguſt the priſoner was a letter carrier to deliver letters in Pall Mall and Jermyn-ſtreet, which comprehends No. 73, he was on duty that day and ſigned his name; ſuſpicions falling on the priſoner, I made him write his name and Jermyn-ſtreet. I had his lodgings ſearched, but found nothing.

Mr. Knowlys. Does not it often happen that letters intended for the walk of one man get into the walk of another?—No.

GEORGE CORDEROY *ſworn.*

I am a butcher in Newport-ſtreet.

In Auguſt laſt did you receive a bank poſt bill in payment?—Yes, on a Wedneſday.

Of whom?—Of the priſoner at the bar, I recollect his purchaſing a foreloin of lamb; I rather ſcrupled the note at firſt; he ſaid he had taken two notes that day; I have no doubt of him, I have ſeen him ſeveral times; when I firſt went to the city I took the note; I have no doubt of his being the man.

(Read) "Bank Poſt Bill, N. E. 8952 London, 28.

"July 1792, at ſeven days ſight, I pro-
"miſe to pay this my ſola bill of ex-
"change to Meſſrs. R. Houſman and
"ſelf, or order, 10l. ſterling, value re-
"ceived of Meſſrs. Newnham and Co.
"for the governor and company of the
"Bank of England (the ſubſcription
"torn off.) Indorſed R. Houſman
"and Son. Received George Cor-
"deroy, Newport Market."

Mr. Knowlys. Mr. Corderoy, I believe at the time this tranſaction took place, whoever paid you this bill, a journeyman of yours of the name of Emur was preſent?—A young man that I had a few days, I do not know he was in the ſhop.

He I believe was at Bow-ſtreet alſo?—He was, I dare ſay he attended at the ſame time.

THOMAS PETTY *ſworn.*

I am ſervant to Mr. Shepherd, a baker; I know the priſoner; he lived in Marſhall Street, Carnaby Market.

Do you remember on Thurſday, the 9th of Auguſt, or the Friday, baking any thing for the priſoner's dinner?—Yes; a fore-quarter of lamb; I cannot ſay which day, it was either Thurſday or Friday; I carried it home to the priſoner's houſe.

GEORGE COLLINS *ſworn.*

I am a caſheer of the bank, it is the courſe of the bank, if a perſon applies for it to accept the poſt bills at the time; this bill was ſo accepted; it has a part of my ſignature upon it, and part has been torn off at the Bank when it was returned there.

(The letter read.)

"St. Neott's, Auguſt 7, 1792.

Dear Siſter,

Your's of the 5th I received, and have ſent you twenty pounds, in two ten pound bills; you had better get the Cambridge bill changed in London, as it will not paſs ſo eaſy in Yorkſhire; and in caſe of accident, or death, ſend a note; I wiſh Mr. Carliſle to pay me again, &c.

PRISONER'S DEFENCE.

My Lord, I know nothing at all of what I am accuſed of; I could not deliver it, nor have any thing to do with it.

ABRAHAM EMUR *ſworn.*

Mr. Knowlys Was you ſervant to Mr. Corderoy in the month of Auguſt? was you employed in his ſhop?—Yes; I was.

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Do you recollect a perſon purchaſing a fore-quarter of lamb, and paying him by a bank poſt bill?—Yes;

You recollect that circumſtance?—Yes;

I believe you was ſent for to Bow-ſtreet, by Mr. Parkins, the ſolicitor to the Poſt-office?—Yes;

Did you ſee the priſoner at that time?—Yes?

Do you imagine, do you think, upon your oath, and recollection, that the priſoner is the perſon that purchaſed that fore-quarter of lamb, and paid for it by a bank poſt bill?—No, ſir, I do not think he is; I would not ſwear to him poſitively.

In what reſpect do you imagine they differed?—I took the man when he came to the ſhop to have a wig on.

Do you think he differed from the priſoner in any other reſpect, as to height and bulk?—I think he was a taller man?

Had you an opportunity of ſeeing that man who was in the ſhop?—I was buſy, I did not take any particular notice.

The priſoner called five very reſpectable witneſſes, who had known him a great many years, and all gave him a moſt excellent character.

GUILTY, Death.

Tried by the ſecond Middleſex Jury before Mr. Baron HOTHAM.

406. SARAH BARKER was indicted for ſtealing, on the 3d of Auguſt, a child's ſilk cloak, value 1l. 6d. the goods of Jacob Davis.

ESTHER DAVIS *ſworn.*

I am wife to Jacob Davis, he keeps a cloth's ſhop; the priſoner came into our to buy a pair of ſtockings, between eleven and twelve in the forenoon; I ſhewed her ſome ſtockings, and ſhe bid me money for a pair, which I could not take; it was pinned to a petticoat, which ſhe cheapened; I miſſed the cloak, and ſent the girl after her; ſhe had not been out of the houſe two minutes; I went out before ſhe came back, and met her about two yards from my own door; the cloak was in her lap; I have it here (produced); I have had it ever ſince laſt winter; it is a dyed cloak.

REBECCA LEVY *ſworn.*

My miſtreſs called me out of the parlour; I went out after her, and I brought her back; ſhe ſaid ſhe had no cloak in her apron; I am ſervant to the proſecutor; I am a jeweſs, and ſo is my miſtreſs.

GUILTY.

Fined 1s. *and impriſoned three months.*

Tried by the firſt Middleſex Jury before Mr. RECORDER.

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407. THOMAS LONG was indicted for ſtealing, on the 27th of July laſt, forty-two pair of leather ſhoes, value 5l. the property of William Dickie, William M'Clure, and James Brown.

WILLIAM DICKIE *ſworn.*

I ſent my boy on Friday, the 27th of of July, with ſome ſhoes; they were taken from him; he is an errand boy; he had three dozen and ſix pair of ſhoes.

EMBLIN STEVENS *ſworn.*

On Friday, the 27th of July, I was ſent out with forty-two pair of ſhoes; they were in a bag; I was to take them to Duke's-court, St. Martin's-lane; my maſter lives in Colman-ſtreet; I carried them as far as Middle Temple-lane; there I reſted; I aſked the priſoner to help them upon my back; he ſaid, yes, my lad, how far are your going? I told him to Duke's court; he ſaid he was going as far as the Haymarket, and he would carry them for me; he took them on his ſhoulder; he went into the Boar's-head, in Exeter-ſtreet; and told me to go in and order him a pint of beer, he went into the public houſe, and drank his beer; he gave me a bad ſhilling and a tobacco pouch, and ſent me to get ſome tobacco; when I returned, he was gone with the ſhoes; I ran down Burleigh-ſtreet, and cried ſtop thief! and at the corner of Exeter-court, he dropped them; he was about two ſteps down the Savoy-ſteps, one Thompſon ſaw him drop them; I am ſure I did not aſk the priſoner to carry them; where I found the ſhoes was about the length of the court from the public-houſe.

SARAH DRISCOL *ſworn.*

I am ſervant to Mr. Williams, at the Boar's-head, in Exeter-ſtreet; the priſoner came to the door of our houſe, with the boy, and while the boy was gone, the priſoner took the bag up on his ſhoulders, and ran down the ſtreet as hard as he could run; I called out ſtop thief! I ran after him, and ſaw him drop the bag at the corner of Change-court, I did not ſee the priſoner taken.

WILLIAM DARWILL *ſworn.*

I purſued the priſoner; and he dropped the

the bag; I ſtood by it, till he was brought back; the boy came up to me, and ſaid, this is my bag.

ANOTHER WITNESS.

I ſtopped the priſoner; I ſaw the priſoner run.

(The bag of ſhoes produced.)

Dickie. I can aſcertain the ſhoes to be mine; I have no doubt at all.

Priſoner. I have a very large family, and was not three doors from the public houſe; I had no intention of ſtealing the ſhoes.

GUILTY. (Aged 30.)

Tried by the firſt Middleſex Jury before Mr. RECORDER.

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408. LOUISA SPUDY was indicted for ſtealing, on the 8th of February, one ſilver table ſpoon, value 8s. the property of Daniel Larkin.

DANIEL LARKIN *ſworn.*

The priſoner pawned the ſpoon.

GUILTY.

Tranſported for ſeven years.

Tried by the firſt Middleſex Jury before Mr. Baron HOTHAM.

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409. JOHN HILTON was indicted for ſtealing, on the 23d of Auguſt, one boy's hat, value 3s. the property of Sebaſtian Jewby.

SEBASTIAN JEWBY *ſworn.*

I loſt a child's hat, on the 22d of Auguſt laſt; the priſoner aſked me leave to go out repeatedly, at laſt I gave him leave to go out; and I finiſhed this hat in the morning; I ſuſpected him, and took him in Soho Square; he had nothing in his pocket but a few yards of gallon; I ſaw the conſtable take the hat from behind him; he was committed.

——— KENNEDY *ſworn.*

I found the hat inſide his breeches.

(The hat depoſed to.)

There is a private mark on the ſide of it with chalk.

PRISONER's DEFENCE.

On the Monday before this, my maſter and me had a great many words, about my bed and bedding not being put to rights, and he made me work on Sundays.

GUILTY.

Fined 1s. *and impriſoned ſix months.*

Tried by the firſt Middleſex Jury before Mr. Baron HOTHAM.

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410. JOHN PHILLPS and RICH. BUDGE were indicted for ſtealing, on the 9th of July laſt, one pair of iron buckles, plated with ſilver, value 2s. the property of Chriſtopher Sanders.

CHRISTOPHER SANDERS *ſworn.*

The priſoners were taken with the buckles.

JOHN PHILLIPS, GUILTY. (Aged 12.)
RICHARD BUDGE, GUILTY. (Aged 24.)

To be privately whipped, and delivered to Mr. Sheriff Anderſon.

Tried by the firſt Middleſex Jury, before Mr. Baron HOTHAM.

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411. RICHARD COMSBY was indicted for ſtealinn, on the 4th of Auguſt, one ſilver table ſpoon, value 7s. the property of Thomas White.

GUILTY.

Fined 1s. *and impriſoned ſix months.*

Tried by the firſt Middleſex Jury before Mr. Baron HOTHAM.

412. WILLIAM

412. WILLIAM TENNANT was indicted for ſtealing, on the 15th of July laſt, one ſilver watch, value 12s. a ſteel chain, value 4d. and a key, value 1d. and a metal trinket, value 1d. the property of Thomas Owen.

The proſecutor and priſoner ſlept together, and the priſoner pawned the watch with Robert Mulcaſter.

GUILTY.

Fined 1s. *and impriſoned.*

Tried by the ſecond Middleſex Jury before Mr. Baron HOTHAM.

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413. EDWAD WRIGHT was indicted for ſtealing, on the 28th of Auguſt, ſixteen pound weight of bacon, value 7s. the property of William Lewis.

The priſoner was taken with the bacon upon him.

Priſoner. I bought the bacon; to be ſure I have been here before; but I have left it entirely off.

GUILTY.

Fined 1s. *and impriſoned ſix months.*

Tried by the ſecond Middleſex Jury before Mr. Baron HOTHAM.

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414. MARY HARRISON was indicted for ſtealing, on the 1ſt of September, a cotton gown, value 12s. a ſtriped dimity petticoat, value 6s. a flowered ſtriped ditto, value 6s. a ſilk handkerchief, value 2s. a cotton ſhawl, value 18d. a muſlin apron, value 12d. a ſhirt, value 12d an apron, value 6d. a cap, value 2s. a bed-gown, value 4s. two night-caps, value 6d. a ribbon, value 2s. and half a guinea, a dollar, and a ſilver pocket-piece, value 12d. the property of Charlotte Davis, ſpinſter, in the dwelling houſe, of John Martin; and

ELIZABETH HARRISON was indicted for feloniouſly receiving part of the ſaid goods, knowing them to be ſtolen.

CHARLOTTE DAVIS *ſworn.*

On the 1ſt of September I came to town, and I met with the priſoner, Mary Harriſon, and I aſked her to recommend me a room; ſhe ſaid ſhe would take me to her room, in the houſe of John Martin; I had the things in the indictment; it was ten when I went there, I ſtaid till twelve; after I went in I was hungry, and I ſent for ſome meat, and gave the priſoner ſome; and ſhe was waſhing, and ſhe ſaid ſhe had but one cap, and I opened my bundle to gave her one cap; ſhe looked very much in my bundle; and then I went to bed to ſleep; and all my cloaths and money were gone; Mary Harriſon came in, and I told her I was robbed; my bed-gown was untied, and my petticoat was untied, and my apron untied; I have got a pair of ſtockings which were taken off Mary Harriſon's legs, and a ſhift; I had no friend at all; I had a mother-in-law; and I had a little money, and a few cloaths; and I heard of other girls doing well, and I came up; I aſked a woman in the next room for my bundle; in about half an hour after, Elizabeth Harriſon came into the houſe; I told her, her daughter had robbed me the, people at next door had told me; the mother attempted to ſtrike me, and the daughter ſtruck me twice, after the conſtable had come; the mother was tipſy, and treating the people with gin.

(The ſtockings and petticoat produced, and depoſed to.)

(Two pawnbrokers produced ſeveral things pledged by Elizabeth Harriſon, the mother, which were depoſed to.)

PRISONER's DEFENCE.

She aſked to have ſomething to eat and drink; and ſhe followed me along; ſhe told me to take the things and make ſome money of them; ſhe ſaid ſhe had ſeen me the Sunday week before; ſhe ſaid ſhe came away from a bawdy-houſe; I took the things to my mother.

Proſecutor. I never deſired her to pawn them; I was faſt aſleep on the bed.

Priſoner.

Prisoner Elizabeth Harrison. I went out to work, and my daughter called me, and asked me to go and pawn these things.

Court to Prosecutrix. How old are you, Charlotte Davis?—Sixteen, my lord.

MARY HARRISON, GUILTY of stealing value 39s.

ELIZ. HARRISON, GUILTY of receiving.

Transported for seven years.

Tried by the first Middlesex Jury, before Mr. Baron HOTHAM.

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415. ELIZABETH FOWLER was indicted for stealing, on the 12th of August, a silver table spoon, value 10s. the property of Andrew Douglas.

The prisoner was taken with the spoon upon her.

Prisoner. I found it in the dust tub.

GUILTY.

Fined 1s. *and imprisoned six Months.*

Tried by the first Middlesex Jury before Mr. Baron HOTHAM.

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416. ANTHONY CLERISBY was indicted for stealing, the 14th of September, one pound twelve ounces weight of sewing silk, value 40s. the property of Joseph Miller and George Wright, in the dwelling-house of Thomas Wardale.

FRANCIS LAVENDER *sworn.*

I am servant to Joseph Miller and George Wright; they are in business together; they keep a button warehouse, and silk manufactory; on Friday morning last, the 14th of September, the silk was taken from the warehouse of Miller and Wright, in the dwelling house of Thomas Wardale; between seven and eight in the morning the prisoner came into the warehouse, and asked to look at some sewing silk; I reached down a large wrapper of sewing silk; he then looked out some for me to weigh; while I was weighing it, I perceived the prisoner put his hand in the wrapper, take out some silk, and put it into his right-hand pocket; I then told my fellow servant, John Elliott; then I sent for a constable to search the prisoner; I saw him searched, and out of his right-hand pocket, the constable took some silk; and out of his left pocket he took some; in all it was one pound three-quarters; we sell it at 18s. a pound, we value it at 40s. the prisoner said it was his own property, he had been several times in our warehouse; that silk in the right-hand pocket, which I saw him take, is not separated from the other which was in the left-hand pocket, I do not swear to.

The Prisoner called one witness to his character.

GUILTY, 39s.

Whipped, and imprisoned six Months.

Tried by the London Jury before Mr. RECORDER.

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417. JAMES FLOWER was indicted for stealing, on the second of July last, fifty yards of Irish linen cloth, value 50s. the property of John Evans.

(The witnesses examined separate.)

The prosecutor John Evans, lost his cloth on the second of July, and found it the following day.

JOHN FIELD *sworn.*

The prisoner brought two pieces of linen to him the 3d of July in his knapsack.

(Deposed to.)

JOHN MEADOWCROFT *sworn.*

I saw the prisoner come into the shop about five in the afternoon.

PRISONER's DEFENCE.

There was a crowd, and I picked up the things.

GUILTY.

Fined 1s. *and imprisoned six Months.*

Tried by the first Middlesex Jury before Mr. Baron HOTHAM.

418. JOHN WILSON was indicted for ſtealing, on the 12th of September, a pair of cotton ſtockings, value 2s 6d. the property of James Somers, privately in his ſhop.

JOSEPH GRIFFIN *ſworn.*

I live with Mr. Summerſet, linen draper, mercer, and hoſier; on Wedneſday, the 12th of September, this man came in and deſired to look at ſome ſtockings; I ſhewed him ſeveral papers of ſtockings; at length he ſaid, theſe are not thick enough, others that I ſhewed him was not the rib he wanted; then he went out, and being a ſuſpicious character, I looked over the papers, and miſſed one pair of ſtockings; and then I went after him, and took him; he begged me to let him go; I ſaid no; then he pulled them out, and begged for mercy; I took him to the Brown Bear, and he was ſearched.

WILLIAM COOK *ſworn.*

I am an officer; I ſearched the priſoner, and found theſe ſtockings in his left-hand coat pocket.

GUILTY.

Whipped, and impriſoned three Months.

Tried by the ſecond Middleſex Jury before Mr. Baron HOTHAM.

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419. JAMES SHORE, alias SHAW, was indicted for ſtealing, on the 18th of June, an iron chain, called a back-band, value 3s. the goods of John Harper.

JOHN HARPER *ſworn.*

I live in Edgware Road; I am a cow-keeper and farmer: I loſt an iron chain, on the 18th of June; I had loſt a dozen before.

MICHAEL DUNN *ſworn.*

I was coming out of my cow-houſe, between ſeven and eight at night, and I ſaw Shore, and thought he was upon no good, and I watched him; he lay down in the cart, and I ſtaid till nine o'clock, and then I ſaw him get out of the cart, and take the chain.

GUILTY, (Aged 22.)

Whipped and impriſoned three Month.

Tried by the ſecond Middleſex Jury, before Mr. Baron HOTHAM.

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420. JOHN SHUDLEY was indicted for ſtealing, on the 27th of Auguſt, a cotton handkerchief, value 1s. the goods of John M'Ara.

JOHN M'ARA *ſworn.*

I am a taylor; my pocket was picked on the 27th of Auguſt, about four o'clock in the afternoon, in Roſemary-lane; I was going through the crowd; a witneſs told me I had my pocket picked.

JOHN LOWATER *ſworn.*

I was in Roſemary-lane; on the 27th, I ſaw the priſoner offering three very good handkerchiefs for twenty-pence, a woman bid him fourteen-pence, he looked at me, and ſaid, will you have them? I ſaid, what, for fourteen-pence? and he took and *hull'd* them at the woman, and ſhe put them in her apron; there was another ill-looking fellow, and I followed them, and ſaw the priſoner take the handkerchief out of the proſecutor's pocket; I tapped him on the ſhoulder, and ſaid, ſir, you have had your pocket picked; I ſeized the priſoner, and ſaid, you raſcal, you have picked that man's pocket; the priſoner had taken the handkerchief out of the proſecutor's right-hand pocket; I took him by the collar with my right hand, and took the handkerchief with my left.

GUILTY.

Tranſported for ſeven years.

Tried by the ſecond London Jury before Mr. RECORDER.

421. JAMES

421. JAMES HUGHES was indicted for ſtealing, on the 11th of September, a wooden firkin, value 10d. and fifty-ſix pound of ſalted butter, value 36s. the goods of James and Joſeph Mitchell.

WILLIAM JOSELIN *ſworn.*

I was coming up Holborn; I ſaw a perſon drawing a truck, he went into a public houſe, and left the truck in the ſtreet; the priſoner and two others were puſhing behind; when they came to Brook-ſtreet, the priſoner took this firkin, and put it on his ſhoulder, and I went up and took him.

JOSEPH MITCHEL *ſworn.*

I am a cheeſemonger, in New Compton-ſtreet; the butter and firkin is the property of me and my brother; we are partners.

GUILTY. (Aged 19)

Tranſported for ſeven years.

Tried by the ſecond London Jury before Mr. COMMON SERJEANT.

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422. ISABELLA GRAHAM was indicted for ſtealing, on the 11th of Auguſt laſt, a ſilk purſe value 1d. two half guineas and ſixpence, the property of Edward Purdie.

EDWARD PURDIE *ſworn.*

I am a ſaleſman's ſervant; on Friday the the 11th of Auguſt, I was coming by Somerſet houſe, I ſaw the priſoner and three or four others; Iſabella Graham, ſaid, farmer, are you going to market? I ſaid, yes; ſhe ſaid ſo am I; are you going to Fleet-market? I ſaid, no, I am going to Newgate market; we walked arm in arm through Temple-bar, and there was ſome things fell from the cart; when we had got them up, we went to the end of Fleet-market, and the man who collects the toll aſked me for two pence; I took out ſixpence, and he gave me four pence; I put my purſe and two half guineas into my right hand pocket, ſhe had ſtill hold of my arm, and we came to the corner of Ave Maria Lane, and the cart turned up, and ſhe made a ſtop, and aſked me, if I would go any further; I ſaid I had not time; I kiſſed her, and clapped my hand to my pocket, and ſhe was croſſing over to Creed-lane; I thought I felt her hand come out of my pocket; I followed her, and abuſed her, and charged her with ſtealing it; ſhe ſaid ſhe had not got it; I ſaid, if you will give it me, I will give you half-a-crown: ſhe ſaid no, I have not got it; then I gave charge of her, and took her to the watch-houſe, there ſhe was ſearched; nothing was found upon her. I went back to the place where I ſtopped her; me and three watchmen; I took a lantern and ſearched the place; and within a yard of the place where I ſtopped her, I picked up the purſe: I know the purſe very well; I have had it ſome time.

Priſoner. My Lord, he walked with his breeches down, in a very indecent poſture.

Proſecutor. My Lord, I ſwear poſitively I never had my breeches unbuttoned at all.

Priſoner. Did not you ſay as ſoon as you had unloaded your cart, you would come to my lodgings and ſleep?

Proſecutor. My Lord, I never ſaid any ſuch thing.

JOSEPH PARSONS *ſworn.*

I am a watchman; I was preſent when the priſoner was ſearched, and went out with Purdie, and found the purſe in the ſtreet where the proſecutor had deſcribed it to be loſt.

Priſoner. He went out, and he was not long before he came back, and ſaid he had found it, and was ſorry for the trouble he had given me, and that if he could get change for half-a-guinea, he would give me half-a-crown for the trouble he had given me.

Parſons. He never ſaid any ſuch thing.

GUILTY.

Recommended to the mercy of the Court and Jury.

Fined 1s. *and impriſoned one week.*

Tried by the ſecond London Jury before Mr. RECORDER.

423. JOSEPH

423. JOSEPH BURNET was indicted for ſtealing, on the 18th of July, 6 quart pewter pots, value 3s. and 17 pewter pint pots, value 3s. the goods of Richard Playter.

RICHARD PLAYTER *ſworn.*

I keep the Three Pigeons in Butcherhall-lane; on the 18th of July (Wedneſday) I loſt three quart and ſeventeen pint pots; my lad was getting them in, and the whole ſtring of pots were ſtolen.

WILLIAM SMITH *ſworn.*

I was a ſervant to Mr. Playter; on the 18th of July, between nine and ten in the morning, I went out to gather my pots, and had ſix quarts and ſeventeen pints; I faſtened my ſtrap with the pots to the bars of a ſhutter in Little Britain: I always faſtened it to that place; when I came to the place I miſſed my pots, and was informed that the priſoner was taken, and at my maſter's houſe. I know they were my maſter's pots; his name is on the pots.

ANN YOUNG *ſworn.*

I am a relation and ſervant to the proſecutor; I ſaw the priſoner ſtanding ſeveral minutes, and then a man took the pots, and put them into a baſket, and the priſoner put it on his ſhoulder; there were pint pots and quart pots.

Priſoner. The girl was not there when I was ſtopped.

Ann Young. Yes I was, but I loſt ſight of him while I went to tell Playter of it.

JOHN WRIGHT *ſworn.*

I am ſervant to Playter; I was ſtanding in the tap-room of my maſter's houſe; when the girl came and informed me, that a man had taken the pots and put them into a baſket, and was carrying them away; I purſued him, and took him with the property on him.

GEORGE PIEREPOINT *ſworn.*

I took the man into cuſtody.

(The pots produced and depoſed to by the proſecutor.)

Priſoner. I was coming along, and a man aſked me to carry them, and ſaid he would give me a pint of beer.

GUILTY. (Aged 25.)

Whipped and impriſoned ſix months.

Tried by the London Jury before Mr. RECORDER.

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424. JOHN HOLMES was indicted for ſtealing, on the 13th of July, 1 ſilk handkerchief, value 2s. the goods of George Bailey, privately from his perſon.

GEORGE BAILEY *ſworn.*

Between one and two o'clock, on the 13th of July, I had my pocket picked in Fleet-ſtreet; a perſon came up and told me my pocket had been picked; I turned round and collared the priſoner; he dropped the handkerchief; I ſaw him do ſo.

JOHN EVERITT *ſworn.*

I ſaw the priſoner Holmes in the act of taking it out of Mr. Bailey's pocket, and I collared him.

Priſoner. A young man juſt before me dropped it.

GUILTY *of ſtaling only, not privately.*

Tranſported for ſeven years.

Tried by the London Jury before Mr. Baron HOTHAM.

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425. DANIEL JUNEP and GEORGE MOORE were indicted for feloniouſly ſtealing, on the 20th of Auguſt, 24 linen handkerchiefs, value 12s. and 2lb. of thread, value 8s. the goods of John Hillice. *Second count*, for ſtealing a bundle of tape, value 2s. 6d. the goods of Meſſrs. Stafford and

and Smith. *Third count*, laying the goods to be the property of William Downes.

JAMES TWITHORPE *ſworn.*

I am a ſervant to Mr. Smith and Co. on the 20th of Auguſt, the things were miſſed from a package in coming from the wharf: the goods were taken all from one box.

JOHN COPLEY *ſworn.*

I live with Mr. John Hillice, haberdaſher; on the 20th of Auguſt, three boxes were brought in; two of them held ounce thread, the other linen handkerchiefs: that box which had the linen handkerchiefs had been broke open; and that which had ounce thread was broke open in two places; there were 2 doz. handkerchiefs miſſing, and 2 lb. of thread; there were vacancies that anſwered the quantity of things taken out.

JOHN STAPLETON *ſworn.*

On Monday the 20th of Auguſt, I was at work in my ſhop, and turning my eye, I ſaw the taller priſoner in a waggon, trying to open a cheſt; he had a tool in his hand; I thought he was doing wrong, and I followed the waggon, and then called upon Mr. Lee, and followed the waggon, and ſaw the left-hand of Juner take out ſome articles, and then he nailed it down, and Moore came from the head of the horſes, and ſaid, "Nail it down tight;" they ſtopped at the White Swan, and had ſome oyſters and beer; I got upon the fore-wheel of the waggon, and looked in where the property was lying: the waggon then went on, and ſtopped at the bottom of Holborn Hill at Mr. Stafford's; and while they were getting out the boxes, I went in and told Mr. Stafford he had been robbed. Mr. Stafford ſaid, "My lads, this box looks as if it had been opened;" they denied it, and Mr. Stafford had the box opened; I went then into the waggon, and brought this parcel and this bag out of the waggon. Juner was then ſent to the Compter, and the other man drove the waggon to Mr. Hillice's; and then Mr. Hillice diſcovered that both his boxes had been broke open.

SAMUEL SINGLETON *ſworn.*

I am a conſtable; I ſearched the priſoner, and I found this chiſſel and this hammer on him.

JASPER LEES *ſworn.*

On Monday the 20th of Auguſt, I ſaw Juner open a box, and he took out five blue parcels, and put them into a bag; the box was in a waggon. This witneſſes's teſtimony exactly correſponded with Stapleton's.

The priſoners called ſeveral witneſſes to their characters.

DANIEL JUNER, GUILTY. (Aged 42.)
GEORGE MOORE, GUILTY. (Aged 30.)

Tranſported for ſeven years.

Tried by the London Jury before Mr. RECORDER.

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426. ELIZABETH HUMBLES was indicted for ſtealing, on the 1ſt of Auguſt, eight table-cloths, value 8s. one table-cloth, value 1s. one pair of ſilk ſtockings, value 3s. and other articles, the goods of John Fletcher, in his dwelling-houſe.

ANN FLETCHER *ſworn.*

I am the wife of John Fletcher; we live in Cecil-ſtreet; the priſoner was employed occaſionally as a waſherwoman and chair-woman. I cannot recollect on what day theſe things were taken, but I dare ſay they were not all taken at the ſame time. The conſtable whom we employed ſearched her lodging, and found ſeveral duplicates.

William Cuffe and Joſeph Turner produced ſeverals of the articles pledged by the priſoner, which were depoſed to.

PRISONER's DEFENCE.

I was there a charing; and the gentlewoman went out of town, and my huſband was

was in great diſtreſs, and he went with me, and made me pledge theſe things; and he had the money.

The priſoner called two witneſſes, who gave her a good character.

GUILTY of ſtealing to the value of 30s.

Impriſoned one month, and fined 1s.

Tried by the firſt Middleſex Jury before Mr. Baron HOTHAM.

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427. JOHN DAVY and JOHN SIMPSON were indicted for ſtealing, on the 4th of September, 16s. in monies, numbered the monies of William Dibble.

WILLIAM DIBBLE *ſworn.*

I keep a publick-houſe, the Hoop and Bunch of Grapes in Cable-ſtreet; I loſt 16s I received an order for a pot of beer, and having no ſervant, I went with it myſelf; I ſuſpected, and I ſhut the back-door, and I heard it rattle, and I ſaw Davy with it; I know nothing of the other priſoner.

Both GUILTY.

Tranſported for ſeven years.

Tried by the firſt Middleſex Jury before Mr. BARON HOTHAM.

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428. ANN WHEELER was indicted for ſtealing, on the 4th of April, two linen ſheets, value 4s. one copper tea-kettle, value 1s. one flat iron, value 6d. the property of George Wilkins, in a lodging-room.

The priſoner confeſſed pawning the things, and the pawnbrokers produced them.

(Depoſed to.)

GUILTY. (Aged 65.)

Impriſoned ſix months, and fined 1s.

Tried by the firſt Middleſex Jury before Mr. RECORDER.

429. DANIEL LEGATY and GEO. CHAPMAN were indicted for ſtealing, on the 17th of September, 30lb. of lead, value 5s. belonging to William Baillie, fixed to a certain building of his againſt the ſtatute.

The priſoner Legaty was taken with the lead.

DANIEL LEGATY, GUILTY.
GEO. CHAPMAN, NOT GUILTY.

Tried by the firſt Middleſex Jury before Mr. Baron HOTHAM.

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430. CHRISTOPHER CONNELL was indicted for feloniouſly ſtealing, on the 19th of July, one pair of ſilver ſhoe buckles, value 10s. one pair of ſhoes, value 1s. 6d. a man's hat, value 5s. a pair of velveret breeches, value 5s. and a pair of white linen trowſers, value 2s. the goods of William Cuthbertſon, privately, in the dwelling-houſe of Andrew Peterſon.

WILLIAM CUTHBERTSON *ſworn.*

I loſt my things from the houſe of Andrew Peterſon; I went to bed and left my things all on the cheſt, and when I waked, my things were all gone. I don't know the priſoner; this was on Tueſday morning, between four and five. I took the priſoner out of the parlour chimney. When I found my clothes were gone, I got up and *overhauled* the houſe: I found him in the parlour. I lodged in the ſecond floor; he had pulled off his clothes, and put mine on; his clothes were a good deal worſe than mine.

WILLIAM ELBY *ſworn.*

(Produces the clothes.)

I took the things from the priſoner's back: I am a runner at Shadwell Office; theſe clothes are better than the priſoner's conſiderably.

GUILTY, ſtealing to the value of 20s.

Whipped, impriſoned one month.

Tried by the firſt Middleſex Jury before Mr. RECORDER.

431. MARY

431. MARY MILLER was indicted for ſtealing, on the 15th Auguſt laſt, a pair of ſtone buckles, value 5s. a piece of ſaſh ribbon, value 2d. four plated table-ſpoons, value 4s. five plated tea-ſpoons, value 1s. 14 knives and 15 forks, value 10s. the property of John Hinde.

—— GILBERT *ſworn.*

On the 15th of Auguſt, I apprehended the priſoner; I went to the priſoner's lodgings, and found theſe things.

(Produced.)

JOHN HIND *ſworn.*

I ſwear to theſe knives; the articles were in a drawer in the counting-houſe; ſhe was a chair-woman in the houſe; I ſearched her in my dining-room, and found 6 plated ſpoons.

I wiſh to recommend her to the mercy of the Court.

GUILTY.

Fined 1s. and impriſoned 6 months.

Tried by the ſecond Middleſex Jury before Mr. BARON HOTHAM.

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432. THOMAS HANNING was indicted for ſtealing, on the 18th of June, a pair of ſilk ſtockings, value 8s. the goods of George Cumbers, Eſq.

MARY ROBINSON *ſworn.*

I am houſekeeper to Mr. Cumbers; the priſoner came and aſked for the houſekeeper; I was up ſtairs; when I came down ſtairs, I aſked him what he wanted; he was very well dreſſed: he ſaid he was very much diſtreſſed, and begged I would give him ſomething. I told him I had nothing to give him: there were ſeveral pairs of ſilk ſtockings lying on the table, and theſe among the reſt; I can ſwear to the man; I talked to him five minutes; the ſtockings I can ſwear to; as ſoon as the priſoner went away I miſſed the ſtockings.

—— CLEWLY *ſworn.*

I am a conſtable; I apprehended the priſoner, and found the ſtockings.

Priſoner. I bought the ſtockings.

GUILTY. (Aged 35.)

Tried by the firſt Middleſex Jury before Mr. Baron HOTHAM.

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433. THOMAS SMITH was indicted for ſtealing, on the 25th of July laſt, 84lb. of lead, value 15s. the property of the Eaſt India Company.

LYON BACKERAH *ſworn.*

I ſaw the priſoner walking very heavy; I followed him into Mrs. Field's ſhop; I ſaw him ſhug up his waiſtcoat, and take out a piece of lead from his waiſtband, and lay it down in the ſhop; then he went to the warehouſe, and came out a ſecond time; we took him into cuſtody.

ISAAC BACKERAH *ſworn.*

I found a piece of lead, 37lb, under the waiſtband of the priſoner's breeches: ſays I, whoſe property; ſays he, I am my own maſter. I took him to the plumber's ſhop; there I found 1 cwt. and 3-qrs. more.

WILLIAM GOODWIN *ſworn.*

I was employed by the India Company; the priſoner worked with me ſix weeks, and two or three days; theſe three pieces are part of the lining of the reſervoir; we had finiſhed the building, and this new lead was the lead of the reſervoir. I opened the pieces at the manſion-houſe, before the man had his examination, and the pieces are the exact length.

JOHN PICKERING *ſworn.*

I ſee this lead; this lead never was from the reſervoir at all; we had no ſuch lead as that come from the reſervoir at all; we have no ſuch ſized piece as that.

—— MILLER

was in great diſtreſs, and he went with me, and made me pledge theſe things; and he had the money.

The priſoner called two witneſſes, who gave her a good character.

GUILTY of ſtealing to the value of 30s.

Impriſoned one month, and fined 1s.

Tried by the firſt Middleſex Jury before Mr. Baron HOTHAM.

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427. JOHN DAVY and JOHN SIMPSON were indicted for ſtealing, on the 4th of September, 16s. in monies, numbered the monies of William Dibble.

WILLIAM DIBBLE *ſworn.*

I keep a publick-houſe, the Hoop and Bunch of Grapes in Cable-ſtreet; I loſt 16s. I received an order for a pot of beer, and having no ſervant, I went with it myſelf; I ſuſpected, and I ſhut the back-door, and I heard it rattle, and I ſaw Davy with it; I know nothing of the other priſoner.

Both GUILTY.

Tranſported for ſeven years.

Tried by the firſt Middleſex Jury before Mr. BARON HOTHAM.

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428. ANN WHEELER was indicted for ſtealing, on the 4th of April, two linen ſheets, value 4s. one copper tea-kettle, value 1s. one flat iron, value 6d. the property of George Wilkins, in a lodging-room.

The priſoner confeſſed pawning the things, and the pawnbrokers produced them.

(Depoſed to.)

GUILTY. (Aged 65.)

Impriſoned ſix months, and fined 1s.

Tried by the firſt Middleſex Jury before Mr. RECORDER.

429. DANIEL LEGATY and GEO. CHAPMAN were indicted for ſtealing, on the 17th of September, 30lb. of lead, value 5s. belonging to William Baillie, fixed to a certain building of his againſt the ſtatute.

The priſoner Legaty was taken with the lead.

DANIEL LEGATY, GUILTY.
GEO. CHAPMAN, NOT GUILTY.

Tried by the firſt Middleſex Jury before Mr. Baron HOTHAM.

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430. CHRISTOPHER CONNELL was indicted for feloniouſly ſtealing, on the 19th of July, one pair of ſilver ſhoe buckles, value 10s. one pair of ſhoes, value 1s. 6d. a man's hat, value 5s. a pair of velveret breeches, value 5s. and a pair of white linen trowſers, value 2s. the goods of William Cuthbertſon, privately, in the dwelling-houſe of Andrew Peterſon.

WILLIAM CUTHBERTSON *ſworn.*

I loſt my things from the houſe of Andrew Peterſon; I went to bed and left my things all on the cheſt, and when I waked, my things were all gone. I don't know the priſoner; this was on Tueſday morning, between four and five. I took the priſoner out of the parlour chimney. When I found my clothes were gone, I got up and *overhauled* the houſe: I found him in the parlour. I lodged in the ſecond floor; he had pulled off his clothes, and put mine on; his clothes were a good deal worſe than mine.

WILLIAM ELBY *ſworn.*

(Produces the clothes.)

I took the things from the priſoner's back: I am a runner at Shadwell Office; theſe clothes are better than the priſoner's conſiderably.

GUILTY, ſtealing to the value of 20s.

Whipped, impriſoned one month.

Tried by the firſt Middleſex Jury before Mr. RECORDER.

431. MARY

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—— GILBERT *ſworn.*

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(Produced.)

JOHN HIND *ſworn.*

I ſwear to theſe knives; the articles were in a drawer in the counting-houſe; ſhe was a chair-woman in the houſe; I ſearched her in my dining-room, and found 6 plated ſpoons.

I wiſh to recommend her to the mercy of the Court.

GUILTY.

Fined 1s. and impriſoned 6 months.

Tried by the ſecond Middleſex Jury before Mr. BARON HOTHAM.

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—— CLEWLY *ſworn.*

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Priſoner. I bought the ſtockings.

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WILLIAM GOODWIN *ſworn.*

I was employed by the India Company; the priſoner worked with me ſix weeks, and two or three days; theſe three pieces are part of the lining of the reſervoir; we had finiſhed the building, and this new lead was the lead of the reſervoir. I opened the pieces at the manſion-houſe, before the man had his examination, and the pieces are the exact length.

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I ſee this lead; this lead never was from the reſervoir at all; we had no ſuch lead as that come from the reſervoir at all; we have no ſuch ſized piece as that.

—— MILLER

—— MILLER *ſworn.*

I lived at Mr. Goodwin's till yeſterday, twelve o'clock.

Look at that lead, and ſee whether there is any way of identifying it.—I cannot ſwear to that lead.

Do you think it poſſible now, for people on their oaths to identify it?—I do not think they can with a ſafe conſcience.

Mr. Garrow. What ſort of lead is that?—It is ſheet lead.

Upon your oath was there not ſuch lead uſed?—There was ſheet lead uſed at the reſervoir.

The priſoner called eight witneſſes, who all gave him a very good character.

GUILTY.

Fined 1s. *and imprisoned ſix months.*

Tried by the London Jury before Mr. Baron HOTHAM.

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434. WILLIAM KEATING was indicted for ſtealing, on the 28th July, 1791, a wooden trunk, covered with hair, value 5s. a diamond ring, value 20l. and a violin, value 10ſl. the goods of John Hindmarſh.

JOHN HINDMARSH *ſworn.*

I only know of putting ſome few things into the trunk.

Mrs. BUNELL *ſworn.*

I delivered the things mentioned in the indictment to the priſoner, laſt 28th of July was twelvemonth, between eleven and twelve o'clock. I delivered the box to him to take to the inn, to go to my ſon at Plymouth; he corded it: I gave him threepence to ſee it booked. Next morning he returned me a penny, and ſaid he had given the trunk to the proper perſon, on Tueſday following I received a letter from my ſon, who expreſſed ſome aſtoniſhment at not receiving the trunk.

EDWARD TRUSTY *ſworn.*

I live at No. 8, Criſpin-ſtreet, Spital-fields; the priſoner lodged with me. On the 28th of July, 1791, the priſoner brought a hair-trunk into my houſe, about a yard long, and ſaid it was ſent him from the country; he had had a few words with his wife, and ſeemed afraid ſhe would take the trunk; on the Saturday he ſold his goods, and went away; the trunk he took with him. I ſaw him ſome time after in Biſhopſgate-ſtreet, and he ran away from me.

The Jury retired about an hour, and returned with a verdict,

GUILTY.

Tranſported for ſeven years.

Tried by the ſecond Middleſex Jury before Mr. Baron HOTHAM.

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435. JOHN ASTON was indicted for ſtealing, on the 21ſt of July laſt, 560lb. of hog's briſtles, value 60l. the property of James Smith.

(The caſe opened by Mr. Garrow.)

(The witneſſes examined ſeparate.)

PETER CRAWFORD *ſworn.*

I was foreman to Mr. Smith in his manufactory, and my buſineſs is to deliver out to the men ſome bundles of briſtles or hair; it was about a quarter before eight: ſix or ſeven bundles, what we call ten-penny hair, that he was to work up the next day; they carry home the blocks, but they never carry home the briſtles; about ten minutes after I delivered theſe bundles, I had ſome ſuſpicions from Mr. Matthews's communication, and I aſſiſted him in ſearching for the hair I had given to the priſoner; we could not find it. We got a warrant next morning, and went to a houſe which I knew to be the priſoner's houſe: the conſtable went in; after ſome difficulty, I think he broke the door open; he went up ſtairs to the room of

of the woman with whom the prisoner cohabited; she ran up stairs and fastened the door; the constable broke in and found a trunk, with hair of different sorts, and part of that which I had delivered out to the prisoner the night before. I have every reason to think it is Mr. Smith's property; there was a mahogany chest of drawers filled with hair, that was a very valuable commodity; I believe it to be Mr. Smith's property; he had not missed it; it is supposed to be of the value of 60 or 70*l.* The prisoner had worked for Mr. Smith a year and an half; he said he bought it of a man who was to call again.

HENRY MATTHEWS *sworn.*

I met the prisoner peeping into the room which we call the boring-room; he stood at the door looking to see who was coming up; it struck me as particular; I spoke to him; he said he was going to make some number sixes; I told him to make them long ones, and left him: I enquired who made the dust-brushes; I went to see for the prisoner, and he was gone; I immediately went up stairs to see whether those hairs were there which Crawford said he had given him; I could not find them any where by diligent search: I obtained a search-warrant the next morning; I went with the constable and Crawford to a house; I never learned from the prisoner that it was his house; the constable opened the door; the prisoner cohabited with them, and looked down the staircase, and he said he wanted to speak to her; she ran up stairs and locked the door; he repeatedly asked her to open it, which she refused; he immediately broke the door open, and there was a basket covered; this basket contained the hair described to me by Crawford, which he had given to the prisoner.

Was that the bag that they usually carry the blocks home in?—It seemed to me to be of that sort.

Do you ever permit them to carry the baskets home?—By no means, but the blocks they do. After I had found the basket, I ordered them to go and secure the prisoner: I found also a basket with 3-qrs. of a hundred of hogs bristles; I have not the least doubt but they were mine; there was likewise another basket in the room with hogs bristles in it; below stairs there were three drawers full of hairs; and the fourth drawer had some in it; the value was 70*l.* they all belonged to Mr. Smith, I think; but I cannot positively swear to any part: we took them to Union Hall; the magistrates returned them to us; we have had them ever since. I was before my Lord Mayor; the prisoner said then that he bought them; he could earn five and thirty shillings a week.

THOMAS CAVE *sworn.*

I apprehended the prisoner (corresponds with the last witness.

JOSEPH FISHER *sworn.*

I have been two or three times with the prisoner at this house; I know it was his house.

JOSEPH MIFLIN *sworn.*

I tied up the baskets.

(Deposed to.)

JOSEPH WHITEHEAD *sworn.*

I believe this is a part of the hair I weighed in the evening of the 20th, for the prisoner; I have no doubt of it.

PRISONER'S DEFENCE.

I bought these at Bristol myself; I can produce some more, and they cannot tell a difference.

The prisoner called seven witnesses, who gave him a very good character.

GUILTY.

Transported for seven years.

Tried by the London Jury before Mr. Baron HOTHAM.

436. JAMES CLIFFORD was indicted for stealing, on the 6th day of July last,

laſt, two ſilver tea ſpoons, value 3s. the property of John Stillwell,

Mrs. STILLWELL *ſworn.*

I am wife of John Stillwell; we keep a chandler ſhop and greenſhop; I loſt two ſilver tea ſpoons the 6th of July; I went for a pail of water, I heard a foot in the ſhop, and I returned immediately, the priſoner was there, and aſked how I ſold my potatoes, and I immediately miſſed my tea ſpoons; I ſaid you do not want potatoes, you are a thief, you have taken my ſpoons off the table; and I laid hold of him, and he got away, and I cried ſtop thief! he was taken; I ſaw the priſoner's hand in his pocket, and I picked one ſpoon up in the paſſage.

JOHN EDWARDS *ſworn.*

I only produce two ſpoons I had from the proſecutrix; I know nothing of the robbery.

TIMOTHY MORGAN *ſworn.*

I am a clerk at a banking houſe; I took the priſoner in Jewin-ſtreet, on the 6th of July; he threw the ſpoons out of his hand, one of them I picked up, and gave to the proſecutrix, the other was thrown behind ſome ſhutters, and ſhe got it herſelf.

(The ſpoons depoſed to.)

GUILTY.

Whipped and impriſoned ſix Month.

Tried by the London Jury before Mr. RECORDER.

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437. BODY RUSSELL was indicted for feloniouſly ſtealing, on the firſt of Auguſt, a ſilver watch, value 10s. a ſteel chain, value 6d. a cornelian ſtone ſeal, ſet in ſilver, value 6d. a braſs watch key, value 1d. the property of William Cooper, privily from his perſon.

WILLIAM COOPER *ſworn.*

I loſt a ſilver watch, chain, ſeal, and key, the firſt of Auguſt; on Wedneſday, a little before three, I went into a public houſe, the Green Man, in Darkhouſe lane, and got a pint of beer; I had been up all night; I had only two pints of beer and a glaſs of gin all day, beſides that laſt pint; I was going to Graveſend; I fell aſleep in the tap room; and when the gentlewoman of the houſe awaked me, ſhe aſked me, if I had not a watch, and I ſaid yes; and I felt, and miſſed it; it was gone, but I do not know who took it; I run up little Thames-ſtreet, and I picked my watch out of the gutter.

JAMES TAYLOR *ſworn.*

I am watchman; on Wedneſday morning near or about three o'clock, I heard the cry of, ſtop thief! and the priſoner was in poſſeſſion of one Daniel Bower, I took them back to the houſe from whence they came, the Green Man, in Darkhouſe lane, I got a light, and ran to find the watch, I found it near the corner of the lane, about ſixty feet from the houſe; I kept it till I gave it to the conſtable.

MARGARET KELBEY *ſworn.*

I keep the Green Man, in Darkhouſe lane; the proſecutor came in about twelve; I did not obſerve whether he was drunk, he fell aſleep, and I could not awake him; the priſoner came in about two, and called for a pint of beer, he went into the box where the proſecutor was; I ſaw the priſoner taking ſome of the proſecutor's beer; and in about a quarter of an hour, I heard ſomething chink, and the priſoner got up, and ran away very faſt; I cried ſtop thief! and the priſoner was ſtopped, and brought back to my houſe, and the proſecutor ſaid, he had loſt his watch; he was ſearched, and nothing found.

JOHN FREER *ſworn.*

I took the priſoner; he was in cuſtody; the watch was given to me by the watch-

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watchman; I went with the prisoner to Mrs. Kelley's; I did not see the watch picked up, but I directed him to search for it.

DANIEL BOURN *sworn.*

I am a stone Mason; I had been down with a Gravesend boat, the prisoner was running from Darkhouse-lane, into Thames Street, I pursued, and took him the corner of Billinsgate Market; I never lost sight of him; I was not five feet from him at all; I went back with Taylor after the watch was found to the place, which was eight or ten paces in the direction from the house, and was the place where the prisoner had passed by; he did not refuse being searched.

(The watch produced.)

Prosecutor. The maker's name is under the balance wheel; (Foodge.)

Mr. Garrow looks at the watch.—My lord, the truth is, what he calls the maker's name Foodge, is the motto *tempus fugit.*

The prisoner called five witnesses who gave him a very good character.

GUILTY, *not privily.* (Aged 16.)

Transported for seven Years.

Tried by the London Jury before Mr. RECORDER.

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438. THOMAS CRUMP was indicted for burglariously and felonionsly breaking and entering the the dwelling house of Sarah Thompson, no person being therein, about the hour of five in the afternoon, of the second day of July last, and burglariously stealing therein, twenty eight guineas, two silver table spoons, value 16s. three silver tea spoons, value 6s. one silver milk pot, value 15s. two gowns, value 3l. and a pair of silver tea tongs, value 6s. her property.

The Witnesses examined separate.

(The case opened by *Mr. Hosty.*

MARGARET PRICE *sworn.*

I am a lodger at No. 6, Water Lane, with Mrs. Sarah Thompson, widow, the prosecutor; I found on the second of July when she was abroad, her door open, and I called some other lodgers, and I saw a drawer half open, and two drawers more put on a mahogany tea table in the room; the property was taken out of those drawers.

SARAH THOMPSON *sworn.*

On the second of July I went out from my appartment, between two and three in the afternoon, I locked my door; in consequence of some information I received, I returned home; I found the door was open and three drawers which were cleared; I lost all the articles in the indictment, and a great deal more; I heard nothing till the 11th of July, the Tuesday week following, and then in consequence of what I heard, I went to take the prisoner Thomas Crump; I went to King's Bench Walk; three or four officers went with me; I there found the prisoner; some of the duplicates of the things were found upon him.

EDWARD EDINGTON *sworn.*

I went to the house of the prisoner, in St. George's Fields, on Wednesday the 11th day of July, to execute a search warrant; Fisher an accomplice, and two other witnesses were there; I went in and searched a tin caddy, where I found several duplicates, but only two relating to this robbery, one for two table spoons, and one for three tea spoons, pawned for 5s. and I found a duplicate on a girl that he kept, in his presence; in his left hand waistcoat pocket, I found these three keys, I look upon them to be false keys, one of which keys I tried to the door of Mrs. Thompson, and it opened it, I took the prisoner into custody, and lodged him in Christ-church watch-house, and from there to Union-hall, and then before an alderman; he told me if he could, he would say something relating to the robbery; I told him

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we did not want to hear any thing from him.

Mr. Garrow priſoner's Counſel. Fiſher was at that time in cuſtody?—Yes.

He gave no information about this ſubject till he was himſelf in cuſtody?—Yes.

THOMAS COLDBATCH *ſworn.*

I think I once ſaw the priſoner; I have the property, Mr. Eddington has the tickets, they are dated the 4th and 6th of July.

(Produced and depoſed to.)

Mr. Garrow. Your's had no cypher nor creſt?—No, they have been altered.

WILLIAM ANDREWS *ſworn.*

I am ſervant to Mr. Strangway; I produce a milk pot, and a pair of tongs, and a duplicate counterpart; I gave a duplicate to Mary M'Quire; pawned in the name of Thomas Crump; a girl pledged them, ſhe is out of court; her name is Mary M'Quire; they were both pawned at different times the ſame day.

THOMAS ELSON *ſworn.*

I am a weaver; I went with the accomplice and Eddington to the priſoner's houſe, and found a ticket in a tea caddy, of a milk pot and a pair of tea tongs, pawned at Strangewaye's, for 5s. on the 11th of July, in the name of Thomas Crump; I found a falſe key in his pocket; Edington took two duplicates; the priſoner ſaid when we went in, that he was a dead man, that was what he ſaid.

Had you ſaid any thing before he ſaid that?—Not a word.

Mr. Garrow. Was Mr. Fiſher with you?—Yes.

A pretty hard ſwearer?—Yes.

What was the woman's name?—I believe ſhe goes by the name of Catherine Edwards, and I believe it to be her name; while we were there, the ſervant maid tore a ticket with a T upon it; I ſaw her tear it; and put the other part in her mouth; and we went to Strangewaye's and found the milk pot in the ſhop.

MARY STEPHENS *ſworn.*

I am a chairwoman; I worked for the priſoner, I cannot tell the time; I was once ſent by the priſoner to a pawnbroker's with two table ſpoons; the pawnbroker's name is Coldbatch! I aſked what name, and they ſaid any name, their name, or my own; I pawned one in the name of Mr. Crump, and the other in my own name; I pawned two table ſpoons for 16s. Mrs. Crump gave me three tea ſpoons, he was not preſent; I pawned them for 5s.

Mr. Garrow. Thoſe ſpoons were in common public uſe in the family?—Yes.

There was a cypher upon them?—Yes; but I do not know what they were.

PHILIP FISHER *ſworn.*

Mr. Garrow. Is your name Robert Cox?—No, ſir,

Did you never go by that name?—No, ſir.

How long is it ſince you was convicted? I do not know what you mean by convicted.

Caſt, my boy!—I never was caſt, I never was tried by the name of Robert Cox, or William Fiſher, or any other name.

Mr. Hoſly. On the ſecond of July, who was you in company with; tell your own ſtory, I ſhall not aſk you any queſtions—On Monday, the ſecond of July, I went over Blackfriar's Bridge, to take a walk; I had been very ill; when I came over the bridge, I met with Crump, and this young man, called Carroty Bob, and they aſked me to play at ſkettles, at Johnny Groats, for a pint of ale; I ſaid, I would go home, they ſaid they would accompany me part of the way, and when we came up Water Lane, Blackfriars, to this houſe; Carroty Bob and the priſoner went in at the door, and I ſaid, where are you going, and Carrotty Bob replied, to get ſome money; then we all three went up ſtairs, and Crump opened the door with a key which he had, I do not know what ſort of a key it was; and we all three looked in, and

Carrotty

Carrotty Bob went in afterwards, and Crump went down into the ſtreet, and I ſtood on the ſtairs, and then Carrotty Bob brought the things out, and went Bridge Street, and took a coach, and went to Roſe-ſtreet, Covent Garden; he carried the things on his ſhoulder to the coach in a table cloth; I believe it was Crump carried the things, and diſpoſed of them, while Bob and me ſtaid in the coach; we all went together from the houſe; while Crump was gone, Carrotty Bob pulled a horn caſe out of his breeches, with ſome money in it, and he gave me fourteen guineas, and ſaid, take that, and ſay nothing to Crump; Crump brought five and twenty ſhillings for the things; he ſaid he would ſpend the odd ſhilling, he treated the coachman, and then he gave me eight ſhillings for my ſhare, then we took the coach over to his houſe in King's Bench Walk, St. George's Fields, there they ſold the plate; Crump ſaid he would buy the plate for his own uſe, that was a milk pot, two table ſpoons, three tea ſpoons, and a pair of tea tongs; Crump gave me thirteen pence for my ſhare of this plate, and I went away; I never ſaw Crump ſince he was in cuſtody.

Mr. Garrow. What goal do you come from?—From the New Compter.

Priſoner. I leave it to my counſel.

The priſoner called four witneſſes, to his character.

Proſecutrix. There is a bruiſe in the milk pot, by which I know it, it has been in the family forty years; the ſpoons I have had fourteen years.

GUILTY, Death. (Aged 20.)

Tried by the London Jury before Mr. RECORDER.

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439. ANN TAYLOR and ELIZABETH CARTER, alias TURNER was indicted for ſtealing, on the 30th day of Auguſt, one canvas bag, value 2d. four guineas, one half guinea, and eight ſhillings in monies numbered, the property of James Oram.

JAMES ORAM *ſworn.*

I am a waggoner, and a married man. The priſoners picked my pocket; on the 30th of Auguſt, I went to a public houſe, and was returning home about a quarter paſt ten at night; I was as ſober as I am this inſtant; we had only three pints between two of us; the priſoners followed me into the gateway of the King's Arms, Holborn Bridge, which is an inn for waggons, where I come to; they kept inviting me home to their lodgings: they both were together; they kept pulling up my frock, and feeling about my pockets and trying to get my purſe; this was under the firſt gateway, and Taylor took my purſe out of my pocket, I felt her take it; there were four guineas and a half and ſeveral ſhillings; I ſaw my money at the public houſe, and counted it; then the priſoners ran away; there was a lamp cloſe by; I never ſaw them before; I laid hold of Taylor before they were out of my ſight; I never got my purſe again; they both cohtinued pulling me about; Carter was ſtopped about a minute afterwards; I am ſure it was Carter; I am ſure I refuſed to go home with them; I could not get rid of them.

Priſoner. We know nothing of it.

The priſoner Carter called one witneſs to her character.

ANN TAYLOR, GUILTY.

Fined 1s. and impriſoned three months.

ELIZ. CARTER, NOT GUILTY.

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440. JOHN WILLIAMS was indicted for ſtealing, on the 3d of September two pint pewter pot, value 1s. the property of Benjamin Powers.

The pots were taken on the priſoner.

Priſoner. Neceſſity urged me.

GUILTY.

Whipped, and impriſoned one Months.

Tried by the London Jury, before Mr. RECORDER.

441. JOHN WRAY was indicted for ſtealing, on the 11th of September, one pot, value 1s. five quarts of lamp oil, value 3s. and one wooden ladder, value 3s. the property of George Spuer.

The priſoner was taken with the things.

GUILTY.

Whipped, and impriſoned ſix Months.

Tried by the London Jury before Mr. RECORDER.

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442. JOHN DEAN was indicted for that he, on the 20th of June laſt, had in his cuſtody a certain draught, ſigned R. Finman; afterwards to wit, on the 20th of June laſt, feloniouſly did make, forge, and counterfeit, and falſely and feloniouſly did cauſe, and procure to be made, forged, and counterfeited, and willingly act and aſſiſt therein, an indorcement of the ſaid bill, in the name of the ſaid John Dean, to whom the ſaid bill was to be paid, purporting to be an aſſignment of the ſaid bill of Exchange; with intent to defraud the ſaid John Dean; againſt the ſtatute.

A ſecond count, charging it to be with intent to defraud Rowland Stephenſon, and Co. againſt the ſtatute.

The indictment was opened by Mr. Garrow and the caſe by Mr. Fielding.

JAMES FLOWER *ſworn.*

Mr. Ruſſel. Mr. Flower, I believe you lately reſided at Madraſs?—Yes.

Do you know yourſelf of his ſending any bills to any relation of his in England?—Yes; I do.

To what amount?—One of five hundred pounds, and the other of two hundred.

Did you know any other?—I cannot poſitively ſay I knew of any other.

Had this Mr. Richard Dean, at Madraſs, any partner?—Yes? ſir, he had.

What was his name?—James Dobbin.

Did you know to whom thoſe bills were ſent in England?—Yes; John Dean, of Caſtle-ſtreet, Long-acre.

I believe you are perſonally acquainted with John Dean?—No, ſir, I was not.

Did you know a perſon of the name of Finman, Lieutenant Finman?—Yes; ſir, I do.

Did you know a perſon of the name of Turner?—Yes; perfectly well?

Were they acquainted with this Mr. Richard Dean in the Eaſt Indies?—Yes.

Had they any dealings or tranſactions with him in money matters?—They had in goods.

Do you know R. Dean's hand writing?—I do.

Be ſo good as to tell me if that is his hand writing?—Yes; it is.

Mr. Knowles, Priſoner's Counſel. Did you ever ſee him write?—Yes; this is the letter of the 17th of July.

Do you know Mr. Dobbin's hand writing?—I do.

Be ſo good to look at that, and ſee whether that indorcement is his hand writing?—Yes; it is.

Have you ſeen him write?—I have.

Mr. Ruſſel. Is that the Mr. Dobbin whom you juſt now mentioned as being partner with Mr. Richard Dean?—It is.

Is that his hand writing?—Yes; (that is the firſt indorcement on the preſent bill.)

Before you left Madraſs, had you advanced any money to Richard Dean?—I advanced him money and goods, to the amount of one hundred pound.

By whom was that hundred pound to be repaid to you again?—By John Dean of London, whom I mentioned juſt now.

Did John Dean pay you that money?—he did not.

Did you apply to him on that ſubject?—I did.

Mr. Ruſſell. What was the anſwer you received?

Mr. Morgan, another of priſoner's counſel. No; we object to that; Was it paid?—It was not paid.

In conſequence of your application to John

John Dean, did you, or John Dean, or either of you, make any application to the Poſt Office?—We did; we went to the Poſt Office. and went to the Dead Letter Office.

I believe in conſequence of your application there you ſaw two letter carriers, and in conſequence of ſome information, you found out the lodging of the priſoner?—Yes; he was not at home; we waited near an hour at the next houſe; we firſt ſaw him go into his lodging; the letter carrier I believe ſpoke to him firſt.

Did you ſee the priſoner?—Yes; we did.

What paſſed between you and the priſoner?—He went with us to the public houſe, and he ſaid your name is Flower; you are juſt come from abroad; I have to pay you one hundred pounds; I told him I did not come on that buſineſs, that I came for ſome letters and notes that he had got, that I believed did not belong to him; he ſaid he had got them ſafe, and he would deliver them up.

Did he deliver them up to you?—Not directly.

Did you ever get poſſeſſion of the letters and bills?—I did at his ſiſters.

How came you to go to his ſiſters?—he gave me the direction; firſt of all he went with us in a coach.

Was the ſiſter then at home?—She was not.

Did you go again afterwards?—We came back to his lodgings and found her there; I aſked her for the letters and notes; ſhe ſaid ſhe had got them ſafe and wanted to know who was to pay her for her trouble, ſhe had been getting them accepted; Dean and me went back with her to the houſe, and ſhe went up ſtairs while we ſtayed in the parlour, and brought down a little baſket with ſome bills.

Look at theſe letters and papers and ſee whether they are the letters and papers that were delivered to you by the ſiſter.

(Gives him a parcel of letters and bills.)—Yes.

To whom did you deliver theſe letters and papers?—To Mr. John Dean, he delivered them to Mr. Juſtice Bond.

Do you recollect this gentleman? (the ſecretary of the Poſt Office)—Yes; I believe John Dean gave them to Mr. Parkins; the original note of two hundred pounds was not there, but there was a copy of it.

Look at that, and ſee if that is the copy?—No it is not; I embarked on the 18th of January, 1792, for England.

Mr. Ruſſel. How long before that was it that you ſaw theſe bills ſent by John Dean to his brother Mr. Richard Dean?—I cannot recollect; about ſeven or eight months before.

Mr. Morgan. I believe the notes that you alluded to, that had been ſent to England, was the five hundred and two hundred, not the fifty?—Yes.

Pray, ſir, did you know Mr. Lewis Dean, while he was in the Eaſt Indies?—I did not know him.

Did you know any of the name of Dean?—I only knew that Richard Dean.

JAMES DOWNEL *ſworn.*

Mr. Garrow. You are a letter carrier in the General Poſt Office?—Yes; in December of that year, and about a week in January this year, I delivered a letter in Caſtle-ſtreet, Long-acre.

Look upon this letter, upon which there is ſome memorandum of your own, and tell me whether that came to your hands in December laſt?—It came, I think, the laſt day of December, or thereabouts; (that is the letter of the 17th of July, 1791.)

Did you, in the courſe of your duty, carry that to the houſe of Joſeph Sayres, a ſhoe maker, No. 9, Caſtle-ſtreet?—Yes.

To whom did you purpoſe to deliver it there?—To Mr. John Dean, as directed; John Dean, that lodged there.

What John Dean that lodged there?—The priſoner.

Then you carried it there, expecting it

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was for the priſoner who had lodged there?—Yes.

Did you find the priſoner there, or had he left Sayers?—He had left Sayers, I had a direction to Short's-gardens, but I did not find him there; I carried the letter to the Dead Letter Office.

Before you returned it, had the letter been opened by any body?—Yes.

Where was the letter opened, before it was carried to the Dead Letter Office?—by Mr. Doe, in my preſence; he had a ſon coming from the Eaſt Indies, and he expected it might be a miſtake; he opened it in my preſence; he looked at the top of the letter, which ſaid, dear brother, he immediately ſaid that was not for him, and returned it; it contained two bills; one of two hundred, on a ſhip-builder at Blackwall, whoſe name I believe was Perry; the other was a fifty pound, I do not recollect the name.

Now upon receiving this letter, with theſe contents, from Doe, what did you do with it?—I kept it ſeveral months, and called ſeveral times afterwards, and returned it to the office.

Did you return it with the incloſure which you originally had it in?—Yes.

Can you fix the time of the return to the Dead Letter Office?—We generally return them in two months.

What do you do with them in the mean time?—We keep them in the office, in a drawer till the day of returning.

Is there a drawer to each carrier?—Yes; every letter carrier returns his letter, and I kept them in my drawer till the time came, they remained therefore under my own care, till delivered ſome time the latter end of April, or beginning of May; I met the priſoner in Lombard-ſtreet; I was delivering my letters, that was my diſtrict; Mr. Dean aſked me for ſuch letter he aſked me if I had not returned a letter; containing two hundred and fifty pounds, directed to John Dean, No. 9, Caſtle-ſtreet; I think he ſaid, he expected it from the Indies; I told him that I did recollect ſuch a letter, and that it was returned to the Dead Letter Office; and I ſaid the beſt way will be for you, Mr. Dean, to come to the office the next morning; accordingly the next morning I went there, and found it was not open; I went to Mr. Barlow; and he produced a letter containing the two bills for two hundred and fifty pounds; he opened and looked at them; and then I carried the letters; incloſing the bills to the priſoner; I delivered him the letter opened, with two bills, and in his pocket, as he opened it, there appeared to be another letter in the ſame writing.

Did you afterwards, in conſequence of ſome ſuſpicion, go with Mr. Flower to the priſoner's lodgings?—When I came in, I ſaid to the priſoner, Sir, did not I deliver to you a letter containing two bills for two hundred and fifty pound, and he ſaid I did; Mr. Dean and Mr. Flower ſaid they wanted their property, and as it was not his, he had better deliver it up, and they ſhould carry it no further; and they ageed to go to the public houſe, but inſtead of that we agreed to go to Bow-ſtreet.

Mr. Knowles. He made no ſecret of this, where he lived?—Not that I know of.

JOHN NORTON *ſworn.*

I have been a letter carrier in Caſtle-ſtreet, Long-acre, upwards of ſix months.

Mr. Fielding. Do you remember having a letter to deliver in Caſtle-ſtreet, No. 9, to Mr. Dean?—Yes, I recollect it perfectly well.

Do you recollect the time?—I cannot ſay the time exactly.

As near as you can?—I believe the firſt of my having a letter might be the beginning of March.

Where did you apply?—In Caſtle-ſtreet, No. 9.

Who then kept the houſe?—He was a ſhoe-maker; I believe the name was Chairs; I kept the letter for ſome time by me; I had two letters; the firſt time I ever ſaw the priſoner was in the Poſt Office Yard; I cannot aſcertain the time.

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As nearly as you can guess tell me where it was?—In the Post-office yard.

What passed between you?—Nothing between him and me.

What became of the two letters which you had?—The prisoner met me when I was ringing our bell, in the Seven Dials; that was after I had seen him in the Post-office yard, but I cannot say how long; he asked me if I had any letters for John Dean, I told him I had; he asked me if I would deliver them to him; I told him I had two, but they were at the Post-office; it was of a Saturday night, and he said he should wish to have them if I had not got them by me: then, said he, if you will meet me at the New Turnstile, Holborn, between six and seven o'clock; I told him he might enquire for me at the Lamb, and he said he would meet me there; it was in the spring of the year; it might be in the beginning of May, I cannot say; he met me again at a barber's, an acquaintance of his; he was not there just when I went, and so I went to my brother-in-law; I did not see him that evening; I took them to Mr. Chaddick, a brother-in-law, a hair dresser, and left them at his house.

Look at that letter?—That is one of the letters that I left at Chaddick's, for Dean, the prisoner.

Look at that?—This I do not know any thing of.

Look at the date of that?—It is January the 31st, but I do not recollect.

Was you the letter carrier at that time?—Yes, I was.

Was it your duty to receive those letters and carry them to the place of destination?—Sometimes they are delivered by the penny-post; this has no penny-post mark upon it.

It was your common duty to have delivered it?—If it came to my hands it was my duty to deliver it; if I had it not, I could not deliver it.

Did you see Dean after this time that you left the letter at Chaddick's?—I never saw him till he was taken up.

Do you remember the application of Flower and the other Mr. Dean to you?—Yes.

Did you go with them to the lodging of the prisoner?—Not into the house, but I was there at the same time.

Who had the first opportunity of speaking to or saying any thing to the prisoner?—I believe Flower and Dean before me, I was out of the room, I went to look to see if I could see him any where.

Did you yourself hold any conversation with him at all on this occasion?—After he came in I asked him if he recollected receiving this letter from the hair dresser in the New Turnstile, and he said he recollected it perfectly well; I asked him if Daniel, the letter-carrier, had delivered him a letter, and he acknowledged he had.

Carry yourself back to the Post-office, where you saw Daniel giving him the letter?—Upon my word I cannot ascertain the time exactly, for there is so many circumstances of that kind, it is impossible for any man to charge his memory with it.

Mr. CAMPBELL *sworn.*

Mr. Fielding. You are acquainted with Mr. R. Dean, in India?—I am.

Did you bring any letter from him?—I arrived here the 25th of January, and left Madras the 21st of September last.

What time did you receive any letter from Mr. Richard Dean in India, before you left the country?—About the 19th I received a letter from Mr. Richard Dean, to carry to England, this is the cover of the letter I received from Mr. Richard Dean, and brought it to England; I brought it to town about the 30th of January; I left them with Mrs. Campbell to put into the Post-office, as I was ordered down again.

(The letter read, addressed to Mr. John Dean, Castle-street, Long-acre, London, per favour of Mr. Campbell.)

" My dear brother, I am happy to have " this opportunity of writing to you, hoping " the following lines will find you all well as " I am

"I am at preſent; thank God, I enjoy a "very good ſtate of health; I have never "been ſo well ſince I have been in this "country as I am at preſent, in ſhort, I "never was better in my life. I live very "comfortable, and have every thing in "my command that a man can wiſh for in "a diſtant country. The gentleman that "brings you this will inform you how I "am going on; at preſent I hope I ſhall be "able to bring my next letter myſelf with "me: my dear brother, I wiſh very much "to ſee you all once more in London, I "wrote you by the Leopard man of war, "and incloſed you two orders to the amount "of 250l. which I hope you have received; "I have ſent you by the Swallow packet an "order for 500l. on Sir Edward Hughes, "Portland-place, which I hope you will "receive ſafe; if you have not received it "before, you will go to the India Houſe and "enquire for a letter directed to you; the "reaſon I did not encloſe it in this letter "was for fear any thing ſhould happen to "the perſon who brings this on his paſſage: "if the order is not honoured, proteſt it, and "ſend it back the firſt opportunity. Re-"member me to your wife and all my "ſiſters, and Mr. and Mrs. Harms, and all "friends, not forgetting Mr. and Mrs. "Carter."

Mr. Fielding. You ſee, gentlemen, it mentions his having written a letter which had not come to their hands at that time.

(Another letter read, addreſſed to Mr. John Dean, Caſtle-ſtreet, Long-acre, London.)

"Dear brother, the incloſed is the bill "I mentioned in my letter ſent by Mr. "Campbell, which I hope will be honoured, "if not ſend it back the firſt opportunity; "love to all, and I am your affectionate "brother,

"RICHARD DEAN.

"Madraſs, the 17th of April 1791.

"Camp, September 6th, 1791.

"Sir, thirty days after ſight pleaſe "to pay to Mr. John Dobbins or "order, the ſum of five hundred "pounds ſterling, this my firſt bill of "exchange, the ſecond and third not "being paid, and place it to the account "of of, ſir, your moſt obedient humble "ſervant,

"WM. WALTER, Lieut. 52d Reg.

"Sir Edward Hughes, K. B.

"Portland-place, London.

"Pleaſe to pay the contents to Mr. John "Dean, or his order. John Dobbins.

"Camp near Bangalore, Sept. 12th, 1791."

"Camp, September 6th, 1791. Dear "ſir, I have this day drawn on you, in favour "of Mr. Dobbins, to the amount of 500l. "ſterling, at thirty days ſight, which bill "I beg you will duly honour. I am, dear "ſir, your moſt obedient humble ſervant,

"WM. WALTER, Lieut. 52d Reg.

"Mr. John Dean, Caſtle-ſtreet, Long-"acre, London. Dear brother, I am this "inſtant returned from the country, and "was exceedingly happy to find your two "laſt letters, wherein you ſay you are all "well; you ſeem to think that I have for-"got you, but believe me, my dear brother, "you are never abſent from my mind; the "reaſon I did not write by the two laſt "ſhips was on account of my being in "camp when they ſailed, and it is very "lucky my returning this morning, as the "ſhip will ſail by twelve, ſo you muſt ex-"cuſe the news of Tippoo's army. I in-"cloſe you a bill for 200l. on Mr. Parry, "a boat-builder, at Blackwall, and another "on Mr. Read, in Throgmorton-ſtreet; "if they are paid you will put the money "out at intereſt, and act as you think pro-"per with it, unleſs you think you can "make good uſe of it in trade, I beg you "will; I muſt leave off, as the Poſt-office "is in the fort. Give my love to your "wife and all ſiſters, and enquiring friends. "I am ſorry I cannot give you any account "of Mr. Lockitt, he has not been here theſe "two years. God bleſs you, is the wiſh "of your loving brother Richard Dean "Madraſs.

"P. S.

"P. S. I hope to ſee you in leſs than "eighteen months: if the bills are not paid, "muſt wait the firſt opportunity.

"R. D.

"If they are paid, do not forget my "ſiſter Harms."

Mr. Morgan. Did you know any other perſon of the name of Dean there beſides the Dean you are now ſpeaking of?—No.

JOSEPH SAYRES, *ſworn.*

I live at No. 9, Caſtle-ſtreet, Long-acre; I am a ſhoemaker.

Did the priſoner at the bar at any time and when lodge with you?—He came to me the 17th of July 1790.

How long did he continue to lodge with you?—Three weeks and one day, he went away on the 8th of Auguſt in the ſame year.

After he was gone did any letter carriers call to leave any letters there for John Dean?—Yes, after he was gone I gave information to him, and he came after he had got the letters and thanked me for them; the firſt time the poſt man came it was the latter end of November or very early in December.

When did the letters come?—Why they came in about three weeks afterwards ſooner or later I cannot ſay.

Mr. Knowlys. This was the only John Dean you knew in the ſtreet?—Yes, ſir, there is the name of Dean on another door in the ſtreet, at No. 8.

(*Robert Withey* called, but before he was ſworn, Mr. Morgan objected to his being examined as not being competent, being a ſubſequent indorſer of the bill to John Dean, and conſequently if the indorſement made by John Dean is rendered invalid, Mr. Withey, as the indorſer, will be reſponſible to the preſent holder of the bill.)

Mr. Fielding anſwered the objection. Mr. Ruſſel and Mr. Garrow ſpoke on the occaſion; the objection was overruled by the court.

Mr. WITHEY *ſworn.*

Mr. Garrow. What are you by profeſſion?—A ſtock broker

Reſiding I believe in George-ſtreet, York-buildings?—Yes.

When did you firſt become acquainted with the priſoner, Mr. Dean?—I believe it is between twenty-two and twenty-three years ago.

You have no acquaintance with the other Deans?—No.

When did he firſt apply to you on the ſubject of any Eaſt India ſecurities?—I believe about three or four months ago; he applied to me, and ſaid as I was an old acquaintance, and that he was in a very indigent ſituation, but had relations in India from whom he had long expected aſſiſtance, and now they had ſent it to him; he then wiſhed for my aſſiſtance, to get a bill drawn on Sir Edward Hughes to be accepted; that he had been himſelf ſeveral times, but ſuppoſed that from his indigent appearance he could not get admiſſion into the houſe; ſeeing his appearance both infirm and indigent, I could not avoid to do it, though I could not recollect any knowledge of him, nor did I need it? I got a friend that lives in the family to take a bill to Sir Edward Hughes, I received a bill of him from Sir Edward Hughes, with a letter of advice.

It is a part of your profeſſion to do theſe things?—By no means, it is the part of a notary publick.

How long have you diſcontinued that?—What.

Receiving money on ſecurities? negociating and getting bills diſcounted and preſented?—We may underſtand our own profeſſions beſt perhaps.

On that account it is, Sir, that I aſk for information?—The bill was brought back to me unaccepted; the priſoner called for it ſome time after.

About what time was that return of the 500l. bill?—I do not know, I cannot recollect exactly the time, about three or four months ago; I returned the letter of advice

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and the bill both together, that was the only thing that I doubted of the goodneſs of them by being both on one quarter of a sheet of paper. The next tranſaction was after I had returned it about a week or ten days after he came to me again; he offered me any pecuniary reward for what I had done, I told him that was not my motive, nor did I chuſe to accept it; he came again and ſaid he had got ſome more remittances; came and ſhewed me copies of the two bills now in queſtion, for the ſum of 200l. and 50l. not the originals; he deſired my aſſiſtance to get them accepted as I underſtood, but I found otherwiſe afterwards. He met me by appointment, and deſired me to go with him to Mr. Reads; Mr. Read had an objection to give him the bill, not believing him to be the perſon that the bill ſhould come to, from his appearance, and from his appearance only; that he ſaid in the preſence of the priſoner, that till ſomebody came that knew him he did not chuſe to give up the bill; I told him he need be under no apprehenſion, I knew him to be John Dean; that I had known him many years, and had letters to ſhew he was the perſon, upon which he pulled out ſeveral letters to the gentleman, on which Mr. Read, or whoever it was, gave him the bill directly accepted; from that moment he gave it entirely to my directions; he ſaid he was drawn upon for 10l. and a few guineas, and that there was another hundred pounds drawn upon him and that that would not become due for ſome time; that he ſaid was from the Eaſt India company; I told him he might have what money he would upon it, but he did not chuſe to have any more; and I took him to Mr. Batſon's the bankers, and recommended him to open an account, and recommended them to diſcount him the 50l. bill and take the diſcount. I had nothing to do with it.

Before you went to Batſon's had any indorſement been put upon it in your preſence?—Yes, Sir, at Batſon's coffe-houſe; it was indorſed by the priſoner at Baker's coffee-houſe; he did not know that it was neceſſary; I told him it was neceſſary to put his name upon it, and they gave him an accountable receipt likewiſe for the two hundred pound bill.

Then your credit was not interpoſed between him and the banker?—No.

Is that his indorſement?—Yes.

Your indorſement was put on in the banking houſe?—One of the people of the Office, whom I do not know, ſaid, Mr. Withey, you may as well put your name upon it, which I did.

(Read.)

Camp before Bangalore, 20th March, 1791.

"Two months after ſight, pay to James "Dobbin, or order, the ſum of fifty "pounds ſterling, value received, and "place the ſame to my account, as adviſed "by your obedient ſervant, R. Finnian, "lieutenant of the 32d regiment, Thomas "Read, Eſq. Merchant, Throgmorton "Street, London."

"Sir, pleaſe to pay the within contents "to Mr. John Dean, or his order,

J. Dobbin."

"Madraſs, July 16, 1791."

THOMAS READ *ſworn:*

I am a merchant, in Throgmorton-ſtreet; I know Mr. R. Finnian, an acquaintance of mine; he is an officer ſerving in the 32d regiment, this is his hand writing.

Did you ever ſee him write?—Yes.

JOSEPH PETTIT TOULMIN *ſworn.*

I believe you are clerk in the houſe of Batſon and company, bankers?—Yes.

Did you diſcount the bill of fifty pounds, and receive the bill of two hundred pounds from the priſoner?—We did; we diſcounted the fifty pounds, and I gave an accountable receipt to Mr. John Dean for the other?

Is that the receipt of which you ſpeak? (ſhewing him a receipt)—Yes.

And that I believe is the bill? (ſhewing him a bill)—Yes.

Who are the partners in the houſe of Batſon and Company?—Rowland Stephenſon, Edward David Batſon, Edward Stephenſon,

Stephenſon, John Grave and Robert Glover.

JOHN PERRY *ſworn.*

I live at Blackwall.

Was that note tendered to you for acceptance?—Yes, ſir, it was?

Do you know the drawer?—I did know him, he is unfortunately dead.

JOHN DEAN *ſworn.*

Mr. Garrow. You are by buſineſs a taylor; and uſed formerly to live in Caſtle-ſtreet, Long-acre, and now live in David Street, Mary-le-bone?—Yes.

Have you a brother in India of the name of Richard Dean?—Yes.

What part of India?—At Madraſs.

When did he go to Madraſs?—He went out from London in the year 1786.

Since he went there have you received any letter from him, and carried on any correſpondence with him?—Yes; I have them in my pocket.

When did you laſt receive any letter from him?—In the year 1789.

Then for the laſt two or three years you have not received any?—No; nor any remittance from him.

I believe you was applied to by Mr. Flowers to pay a bill drawn by your brother for a hundred pound?—I was.

You refuſed to pay it?—Yes, ſir.

When was it?—Laſt June.

Had you received either any advice from your brother of ſuch a draft, or any caſh, or effects to anſwer it?—No, ſir.

Do you live at No. 9?—I lived at No. 8.

You went ſince this diſcovery with Mr. Flower to the priſoner?—Yes.

Did you receive from any body by his directions, any letter of your brother Richard's?—From the priſoner's ſiſter, by his directions; I have looked at them, and they are my brother's hand writing.

Had theſe letters or their contents ever reached your hand, till they were delivered by the priſoner's ſiſter?—Never.

Have you any recollection of the name of Hanns?—Yes; ſir, he was my brother-in-law.

Have you any doubt but that theſe letters were intended for you?—No; from the hand writing and other circumſtances.

I need hardly aſk you whether the priſoner at the bar is brother to your brother who is at Madraſs?—No; I never ſaw him till about the letter.

GEORGE CLARE *ſworn.*

John Dean the taylor was your tenant?—Yes.

Do you know any thing of the priſoner?—No; I never ſaw him, but at Bow Street; John Dean lived at No. 8, Caſtle Street, Long-acre, I knew his brother Richard very well; I am quite unacquainted with the other end of the ſtreet, he lived there, I think, from the year 1790 till lately.

FREDERICK HANNS *ſworn.*

I married a ſiſter of Richard Dean's; he is at Madraſs; I married from there.

Mr. Fielding. Gentlemen, this is one of the five letters he got from the ſiſter.

(Read.)

" My dear brother,

" I am happy to have this opportunity " to writ to you, to inform you that I am " well; I hope you and all friends are the " ſame; the packet arrived here a few " days back, from England, and I was very " much diſappointed at not receiving a letter " from you by the Leopard and ſwallow; " and if any of thoſe bills are not accepted " and proteſted, ſend them to me as ſoon " as poſſible; I have drawn on you for " one hundred ponnd, payable to Mr. " James Flowers; Mr. Flowers will be " in London ſoon after you receive this; " he is a friend of mine, and I truſt you " will receive him as ſuch; I hope to be " able by the latter end of the year to ſend " you five hundred pound more: I would " ſend you the news of the war about " Tippo, but Flowers will tell you better; " wiſhing you, and all my ſiſters, and all

" good friends a happy new year, with " many happy returns, I am, dear bro- " ther, your affectionate brother Richard " Dean."

(Another letter read, dated January 27, 1792.)

" Dear brother,

" I have drawn on you again for ten " pound, and hope you will pay the " bearer as ſoon as preſented; it is for a " friend of mine, who has no other way to " ſend home a trifle to his friend; I wrote " to you by the Phœnix Indiaman, with " letters, and hope you have received " them; pray give my love to all friends; " and believe me to be your affectionate " brother,

Richard Dean."

Priſoner. My lord, my father John Dean, the governor of Bengal, on the coaſt, left ſeveral natural children, ſome were formerly in the Eaſt India ſervice, there was ſomething for them; I applied to Batſon's coffee-houſe for ſomething; I was informed it was from abroad; I waited with much ſuſpicion, I imagined that theſe letters were intended for me; both my uncle and father left ſeveral children; I did expect thoſe were the letters intended for me; the way I came by the letters was by the people informing me there were ſeveral letters for me from abroad, that were of conſequence; the people gave me the direction, and came after me from place to place, to hunt after me; pleaſe to let the witneſs be called that firſt informed me of the letters.

No witneſſes appeared.

GUILTY, Death. (Aged 58.)

Tried by the London Jury before Mr. RECORDER.

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443. ISAAC MOORE was indicted for that on the 28th of June, two certain letters then lately before ſent, from William Collier, by the poſt from Silſoa, then containing therein, a certain bank note, No. 1967, London, 9th February, 1792; for the ſum of 10l. had come to his hand and poſſeſſion as a letter carrier, to be by him carried to Charlton-ſtreet, to Charles Quin, and there delivered; and that he on the ſame day, having the ſaid letter in his poſſeſſion felonioufly did ſecret the ſaid letter, then and there containing the ſaid bank note, the property of the ſaid William Collier, and the ſum of ten pounds payable and ſecured thereby, unſatisfied to him, againſt the ſtatute.

A ſecond count, charging the priſoner in like manner, only calling them packets.

A third count, laying it to be the property of Charles Quin.

And four other counts, only mentioning it to be two letters and two packets.

The indictment opened by Mr. Garrow, and the caſe by Mr. Fielding.

WILLIAM COLLIER *ſworn.*

I live at Pullock's Hill, in Bedfordſhire; I ſent my letters by Silſoa, which is the neareſt poſt town; on the 21ſt of June, I ſent the halves of ſixty pounds in bank notes, four tens and a twenty, the letter was directed to Charles Quin, No. 19, Charlton-ſtreet, Mary-le-bone, I took the numbers and dates of them all; 1967, 9th February, 1792, that is the note; I delivered the letter to my ſervant, William Burridge, to be carried to the poſt office in Silſoa; there were two other letters went with them, to thoſe two letters I have the anſwers in my packet; on the next day I ſent the other two halves by the ſame perſon as before.

(The note ſhewn him.)

This is one of the notes I ſent.

WILLIAM BURRIDGE *ſworn.*

I am ſervant to Mr. Collier; on the 21ſt of June laſt, I received three letters from my maſter, to put into the poſt at Silſoa; I put them in in time, the next day I received

ceived one letter which I carried alſo and put into the poſt office.

BENJAMIN CARTER *ſworn.*

I am poſt-maſter of Silſoa; I remember making up the bag, on the 21ſt and 22d of June; I delivered them to my man John Smart.

Mr. Knowlys, priſoner's counſel. You keep a public houſe?—Yes; an inn; the box is in the common paſſage; ſometimes the head waiter is the carrier of them, and I have intruſted them to my daughter, but not on that day.

Mr. Knowlys, to Carter. Did you ſeal the Silſoa bag?—No.

How old is you daughter?—Thirteen years; Luton is the next poſt town.

JOHN SMART *ſworn.*

I carry the bags from Silſoa to Luton, I delivered them there to the poſt office, I delivered up the bags as I found them; we took a little bag at Barton, at a public houſe there; the bag is only faſtened by a band round it.

JOSEPH WILLIAMSON *ſworn.*

I am poſt-maſter of Luton.

On the nights of the 21ſt and 22d of June laſt, did you receive the bags from Silſoa?—Yes.

Did you do any thing to the letters that came in the Silſoa bags?—Marked them; I ſealed the Luton bag, and delivered it to Samuel Smith, to carry it to St. Alban's nobody aſſiſts me in marking them; ſometimes the boy who carries the mail is preſent, and ſometimes my ſervant; that night I delivered them to Samuel Smith myſelf.

SAMUEL SMITH *ſworn.*

I received them from Mr. Williamſon on the nights of the 21ſt and 22d the Luton bags; I conveyed them myſelf to the Poſt Office at St. Alban's; I delivered them ſafely; I ſtopped at the Swan, Market Street, to take in a ſeparate bag.

CHARLES READ *ſworn.*

I am employed in the General Poſt Office, in London; it is my duty to receive the letters which come from St. Alban's.

The 22d and 23d of July laſt did you receive any letters from St. Alban's?—Yes; letters in the Luton bag, which came from St. Alban's.

LUKE FERGUSON *ſworn.*

I am inſpector of the carriers, at the General Poſt Office; on the 22d and 23d of July, the priſoner was a letter carrier; Charlton-ſtreet, Mary-le-bone, was in his diſtrict; the letters belonging to that belonged to him to deliver.

Mr. Knowlys. It is in the power of the ſorters to conceal a letter undoubtedly?—Yes.

CHARLES QUIN *ſworn.*

On the 22d and 23d of July laſt, I lived at No. 19, Charlton-ſtreet, Mary-le-bone.

Did you on either of thoſe days receive any letter from Mr. Collier?—No.

Nor any letter from Mr. Collier, containing any bank notes, or halves of bank notes at any time?—No.

JOHN TOWNSEND *ſworn.*

I believe you went in conſequence of a hand bill, in ſearch of the priſoner?—On Saturday the 18th of July, by the directions of the ſolicitor of the Poſt Office, I and Mr. Ferguſon went to Hatfield after the priſoner, who was gone to ſee his wife, who lives at Lady Saliſbury's, I went to the houſe, he was not there, we waited a conſiderable time, and in the evening, near duſk, I apprehended him, and took him to Lord Saliſbury's Arms, at Hatfield, and ſearched him, and in his breeches pocket, I found two duplicates, one of which was a duplicate of a great coat, pawned by the priſoner at one Clarke's, a pawnbroker; we ſtaid till morning, at four in the morning we came to town; the priſoner was committed.

committed; this is the duplicate brought out of the pawnbroker's.

Mr. Knowlys. Did the priſoner in all his conduct attempt to evade your apprehenſion of him?—Not at all.

Was not he ready to give himſelf up?—Certainly.

JAMES BENNET *ſworn.*

In July laſt I was a ſervant to Mr. Clarke, in Ryder's Court, Leiceſter Fields, a pawnbroker; the priſoner many times and for two years pledged things there; I know him perfectly well; on the 2d of July, he pledged a great coat; it is my writing; this is the duplicate for it.

(The great coat produced and depoſed to, having ſilk lining to the ſleeves, very ſingular.)

Mr. Knowlys. Foreigners pledge great coats with you that have coloured ſilk ſleeve linings?—Yes; I have ſeen ſuch.

THOMAS HALLING *ſworn.*

I am a ſhopman to Mr. Brown, ſaleſman in Monmouth-ſtreet; I remember ſelling this great coat on the 23d of June, at half after nine; I either ſold it to the priſoner, or a man very much like him; to the beſt of my knowledge it was him.

In what way did he pay you?—By a ten pound note, in two halves joined together; I applied to a neighbour, to give me change for it, his name is Gabb; I heſitated a little at firſt; he told me if I did not like that he would give me another; and he ſhewed me another, which was cut likewiſe; I went to a neighbour to aſk their opinion of it, whether it was good; he ſaid he had received two or three, or three or four, but they were all cut, and came from the country, in the morning of that day in a letter.

Mr. Knowlys. This was half paſt nine at night?—Yes; the evening was ſhut in, it rained; I underſtood that the party I ſold it to (as he told me) was going to Saliſbury that evening, and if it was not ten o'clock, he ſhould be time enough for the coach.

WILLIAM GABB *ſworn.*

I live the corner of Monmouth-ſtreet; I know the laſt witneſs, ſervant to Mr. Brown; I remember giving him caſh for a ten pound bank note, which had been cut; I really do not recollect the day; after I had kept it about a fortnight, I paid it to Mr. Darwin.

JOHN DARWIN *ſworn.*

I received a ten pound bank note from Mr. William Gabb, which had been cut; I paid it the ſame day to Mr. Daniel Titterton; he aſked me who I received it from, I told him Gabb and Co. and I ſaw him write it in my preſence (this is the note.)

DANIEL TITTERTON *ſworn.*

I am clerk to Mr. Handwick and Co. I remember this ten pound note; I received this ten pound bank note, from Mr. John Darwin; he told me he received it from Gabb and Co. in conſequence of that, I wrote Gabb and Co. 5 July, 1792.

GYLES COLLINS *ſworn.*

I am one of the caſhiers of the bank of England; this is my ſignature, I ſigned this for the governor and Co. of the bank of England.

Was that unpaid on the 23d of June?—It was.

(Read.)

"No. 1967. I promiſe to pay to Mr. "Abraham Newland, or bearer, on de- "mand, the ſum of ten pounds. London, "the 9th day of February, 1792; for the "governor and company of the bank of "England. Gyles Collins; M. Fell, "entered, J. Petre."

N. B. Mr. Fielding in his opening, having obſerved, that there was a ſingularity in the act of parliament in this caſe; the preamble ſays; Whereas, it is of the utmoſt import to the trade and commerce of this

this kingdom &c. and then it ſays, if any perſon employed, ſhall ſecret any *letter or letters containing a bank note*— this muſt, as he contended, refer to the diviſion of them; and that here was *a bank* note ſent *in letters*.

Mr. Knowlys obſerved, that if the caſe was meant to be reſerved for the opinion of the judges, he wiſhed to be heard when they met for judgment, inſtead of the preſent time.

Mr. Baron Hotham obſerved, that it was the opinion of his brother Gould and himſelf, that it was very neceſſary it ſhould be reſerved, as it was a caſe of the firſt impreſſion; and

Mr. Juſtice Gould ſaid, he ſhould not take upon himſelf to give an opinon then.

Priſoner. I have nothing to ſay, more than to declare my innocence of having bought the coat in Monmouth-ſtreet; I bought the coat in Gerrard-ſtreet, of a perſon that was going to ſell it to two jews; he offered it for twelve ſhillings; I offered him eleven ſhillings; it appeare to be a coat that nearly fitted me; and b ing in want of money ſometime after tha I pledged it at Mr. Clarke's for five ſhillings; I know nothing about any perſon in Monmouth-ſtreet; I never bought any coat there; and I never changed a bank note in my life.

The priſoner called fourteen witneſſes, who gave him an excellent character.

The jury retired for a ſhort time, and returned with a verdict,

GUILTY, Death. (Aged 39.)

(The caſe reſerved.)

Tried by the London Jury before Mr. BARON HOTHAM.

On the Sixth Day, a Second Jury was ſworn as follows:

Nicholas Cooper
John Clifford
Cozier Fletcher
Thomas Ambridge
William Godfrey
John Forbes
Ayres Cook
George Gibſon
Richard Martin Bun
Nathaniel Martin
James Waylin
George Lake

MISDEMEANORS.

444. JAMES WELCH and MARY REDMON were indicted for putting off a baſe ſhilling, on the 10th day of September.

Second count, only varying the terms of the indictment.

STEPHEN ELLIOTT *ſworn.*

I live with my grandfather; on Monday the 10th of September; I was coming out of the houſe, and I ſaw the two priſoners at the door, ſhe went in, and called for a glaſs of gin, ſhe tendered a ſhilling, I gave it a nick, and gave it to my grandfather, who put it into his pocket, and gave her eleven pence, ſixpence and five pennyworth of halfpence; ſhe went out acroſs the way to the man, then I went to Barbican; on my return, I found them ſitting on a log of wood at the door; I went in, and my ſiſter gave me a ſhilling, and ſaid, the man at the door gave me this ſhilling, I diſcovered it to be bad, and compared it with the one the woman had given me; then he came in, and aſked for his change; I told him it was a bad one, and he changed it; then I put the firſt ſhilling on the gin caſk head, and I followed them to Mr. Matthews's, and the woman went in; I went for a conſtable, and when I came back the woman came out, and then went a few doors further, and went into the wine vaults; then the conſtable went in and found the woman with a bad ſhilling in her hand, and he locked her up, then he went to the man and ſearched him, and found four bad ſhillings on him.

FRANCES ELLIOTT *ſworn.*

My grandfather keeps the ſign of the Hind; I know the man at the bar, he came to our houſe and called for a glaſs of ale; he gave me a ſhilling, I gave that ſhilling to my brother.

EDWARD MATTHEWS *ſworn.*

I keep a public houſe; I remember the man and woman coming to my houſe; the woman aſked for a glaſs of gin, and tendered a ſhilling; I ſaid it was a bad one, and deſired her to give me another; the man ſaid he had halfpence; he drank the gin and paid one penny.

ELIZABETH EDWARDS *ſworn.*

I keep the wine vaults in Barbican; ſhe called for a glaſs of carraway; he was jingling a ſhilling on the counter; I ſaid, that is a bad one, then he ſaid, you muſt leave the ſhilling till you come this way, and bring five farthings for your liquor; ſhe came back in a few minutes, and brought a penny, both bad halfpence; I refuſed the halfpence, and told her it came to five farthings, then ſhe pulled out another farthing, and as ſoon as ſhe had got the ſhilling, in came the conſtable and ſeized her, and found the ſhilling in her hand.

JOHN NEWMAN *ſworn.*

I ſearched the priſoners; I found one ſhilling on the woman, in her hand; in his left hand was four bad ſhillings; in his right hand there was one ſhilling, and in a bag there were twenty-four ſhillings and ſixpence, among which was a crown piece; here are the four ſhillings found in his left hand, and the ſingle ſhilling found in his right hand.

JOHN CLARKE *ſworn.*

All the looſe ſilver found are all bad, the ſilver in the bag is all good, the half are of the common run.

Priſoner.

Prisoner Welch. I received the money for oysters, at Bartholomew-fair.

JAMES WELCH, GUILTY.
MARY REDMON, GUILTY.

To be each imprisoned for one year, and find security for two years more.

Tried by the London Jury before Mr. COMMON SERJEANT.

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445. CHARLES KINLEY was indicted for uttering a base shilling, on the 17th of July.

A second count, for having in his possession one other base shilling.

CHRISTOPHER THOMAS *sworn.*

In the evening of the 17th, the prisoner came into my shop, and asked for half a pound of soap; he threw down a shilling, and my wife said, beware of the silver, for that man has been here this morning offering bad money; I reproved him, and told him to go away; I suspected him, and followed him to Ayres's shop, and there he threw down a different shilling to that which he had tendered to me; this exasperated me, and I desired Kendal to be careful of what silver he took of that man.

EDWARD KENDAL *sworn.*

I live with Mr. Ayres; the prisoner asked me for half a pound of candles, and threw down a bad shilling; Mr. Thomas came in, and I told the prisoner it was a bad one; I saw the four shillings and eight sixpences taken from the prisoner.

EDWARD PURCHASE *sworn.*

I have had this bad shilling ever since the 17th of July.

JOHN CLARKE *sworn.*

They are all bad.

GUILTY.

To be imprisoned one year, and find security for two years.

Tried by the London Jury before Mr. COMMON SERJEANT.

446. JOHN MOSS was indicted for wilful and corupt perjury.

(The case opened by Mr. Garrow.)

JOHN JOHNSON *sworn.*

I am clerk in the office; I have the original writ of capias against the defendant.

(Produces the capias.)

WILLIAM MATTHEWS *sworn.*

I am turnkey of the county goal of Surry; on the 15th of June, Joseph Dight was in my custody; he came in the 15th; he was arrested the 15th; he was not in custody on the Friday the 8th.

GEORGE NEWLAND *sworn.*

I am clerk to Mr. Justice Ashurst; I look at this signature, it is his.

ASHER HUMPHREYS *sworn.*

On Tuesday, the 19th I was attorney for the plaintiff; Jolly against Dight; I saw the present prisoner, he was the person that produce the affidavit; he came forward and acknowledged that his name was Moss, the deponant in that affidavit; I knew my cliant had no such place of abode, as described in this affidavit.

(The affidavit read.)

My client lives at No. 5, Vere Street, Clare Market, and not at Walworth.

JOHN JOLLY *sworn.*

I was the plaintiff in that suit.

Did you in the course of the present year live at Walworth?—No, never in my life.

Did you either at your dwelling house in Walworth, or at any other place, ever receive that notice or copy of one?—No, sir, I never received any notice.

CHARLOTTE BURNS *sworn.*

I was servant to Mr. Jolly.

On the eighth of June did he reside at Walworth,

Walworth, or any time about that time?—No, sir.

Did you at any time at his dwelling house, receive any such notice as and for him?—No, sir.

You are quite sure he resided in Vere Street, during that time?—Yes.

Mr. Peatt, prisoner's counsel addressed the jury in his behalf.

JOHN THOMAS *sworn.*

Was you present at any time, and where, at a conversation that passed respecting the service of a notice on the plaintiff Jolly, in the original act in the Court of King's Bench?—Yes, sir, it was in Fleet-street; upon my word I cannot tell the day and month, it was at a public house by Temple-bar, I do not know the sign of it; I believe it was about July, but I cannot take upon me to say; it was this prisoner at the bar; I knew him for some years prior to this; I do not believe I have been at the public house four times in my life.

How many times?—Once or twice; it is up a passage by Temple Bar, not Bell Yard, nor Shire Lane; I believe it is the Star, I cannot tell who keeps it; I believe it was the latter end of July, or thereabout.

You are coming to swear to a conversation, when you do not know the month, when you do not know the place, and yet your memory is so very accurate as to recollect the conversation; you shall go on, but it is at your own peril, that is all.

Mr. Peatt. State the substance of this conversation, and the very words as you can state them?—I will; that man came and spoke to me and said, he had a notice to go to serve; the prisoner belonged to the Post Office; some years back he used to carry letters about; I am a shoe-maker; I never bailed three people in my life; I do not believe I bailed four people.

Where do you live?—In Three Manner Court, Fore Street, No. 1 and 2; I have two houses there; I am landlord of the houses; I have lived there between six and seven years.

Do you mean the last six or seven years?—Yes.

Did you never swear that you lived in Fleet Street, when you made an affidavit in the Court of King's Bench?—Never in my life.

Nor in the neighbourhood of Fleet Street?—Never.

The prisoner called three more witnesses, who gave him a good character.

GUILTY. (Aged 62.)

Imprisoned two years

Tried by the London Jury, before Mr. COMMON SERJEANT.

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Elizabeth Humbles (fined 1s.

To be impriſoned Six Months, viz.

Mary Miller, Benjamin Sweet, Thomas Cooper, Thomas Long, Edward Wright; Joſeph Burnett (whipped) Thomas Smith (fined 1s.) James Clifford (whipped) Anthony Cleriſby (whipped) James Williamſon (whipped) John Wray (whipped) William Hoy (whipped) Francis Ayres, Robert Armſtrong, Elizabeth Brown, John Buckle, Eleanor Cage (each fined 1s.) Frederick Roſe, James Morris, William Tennant, Rich. Comſby, John Hilton, Elizabeth Fowler, James Flower, Ann Wheeler.

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Ann Taylor (fined 1s.) Thomas Brian, David Fiſher, Eleanor Place, Margaret Hall (fined 1s. each) Sarah Barker, (fined 1s.) John Willſon, James Shaw (whipped.)

To

To be impriſoned One Month.

John Williams (whipped) Thomas Ball (fined 1s.) Chriſtopher Connel (whipped) Elizabeth Humbles (fined 1s.)

To be impriſoned One Week.

Iſabella Graham (fined 1s)

To be Whipped.

William Miller, John Khee, alias Coe, John Phillips, Richard Budge

To be fined One Shilling.

John Wright

The following Capital Reſpites of former Seſſions received his Majeſty's Pardon as under.

John Fitzgerald, Mary Smith, to be impriſoned ſix months.

Andrew Davis, James Carroll, Lawrence King, Maria Smith, John Stonehouſe, William Smith, to be tranſported for their natural lives.

John Davis, William Williams, William Perry, John Clewes, to be tranſported for fourteen years.

The next Seſſion will begin on Wedneſday, the 31ſt of October.

THE

TRIALS AT LARGE

OF THE

CAPITAL and other CONVICTS,

ON THE

KING's Commiſſion of the Peace, Oyer and Terminer, and Gaol Delivery for the CITY of LONDON;

AND ALSO

The Gaol Delivery for the County of *Middleſex*,

HELD AT

JUSTICE HALL *in the* OLD BAILEY,

On Wedneſday, the 31ſt of OCTOBER, 1792, and the following Days;

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THE TRIALS AT LARGE OF THE CAPITAL and other CONVICTS, ON THE KING's Commiſſion of the Peace, Oyer and Terminer, and Gaol Delivery for the CITY of LONDON, &c.

BEFORE the Right Honourable JOHN HOPKINS, LORD MAYOR of the City of London; the Right Honourable LLOYD Lord KENYON, Lord Chief Juſtice of his Majeſty's Court of King's Bench: the Honourable Sir JOHN HEATH, Eſq. one of the Juſtices of his Majeſty's Court of Common Pleas; the Honourable Sir ALEXANDER THOMPSON, one of the Barons of his Majeſty's Court of Exchequer; Sir JOHN WILLIAM ROSE, Serjeant at Law, Recorder of the ſaid City; JOHN SILVESTER, Eſq. Common Serjeant at Law, of the ſaid City; and others his Majeſty's Juſtices of Oyer and Terminer of the City of London, and Juſtices of Gaol Delivery of Newgate, holden for the ſaid City and County of Middleſex.

London Jury.	*Firſt Middleſex Jury.*	*Second Middleſex Jury.*
Philip Vivian	Hugh Wright	Edmund Kitchen
John Alliſon	Lacey Punderſon	Clements Leeds
John Taylor	Peter Taylor	Thomas Lawn
Michael Ellis	John Hartſhorn	James Partridge
Ralph Newham	James Stewart	William Pearſon
Henry Goddard	Thomas Dawſon	John M'Cord
William Sibley	Joſeph Appleford	Walter Thwaites
Robert Orton	Benjamin Stemetz	Benjamin Skelton
Edward Johnſon	Thomas Varney	James Clew
Joſeph Alſop	Samuel Wardell	Joſeph Stanley
Richard Harris	David Conty	Joſeph Gaitſhell
Francis Hodges	Charles Cooper	John Henfree

447. JOHN HUGH was indicted for feloniouſly breaking and entering the dwelling-houſe of Edward Laſcelles, Eſq. about the hour of nine in the afternoon, on the 1ſt of Auguſt laſt, at the pariſh of St. Mary-le-bone, and feloniouſly ſtealing therein a man's livery cloath coat, value 13s. his property: ſeven ſilver tea ſpoons,

ſpoons, value 7s. two linen ſhirts, value 3s. ſix neckcloths, value 4s. a pair of ſilver tea tongs, value 3s. ſeven pair of cotton ſtockings, value 7s. a pair of ſilver ſhoe buckles, value 20s. four woolen waiſtcoats, value 3s. a pair of linen trowſers, value 12d. two cotton handkerchiefs, value 2s. a ſilk handkerchief, value 12d. a linen ditto, value 12d. a cotton night cap, value 12d. fourteen yards of linen, value 6s. a pepper box, value 1d. a ſteel bodkin, value 2d. two ivory ditto, value 2d. a pair of ſteel ſciſſars with ſilver bows, value 6s. a ſteel watch chain, value 2d. a pen knife, value 2d. one top of pepper caſtor mounted with ſilver, value 2d. and one pencil, value 1d. the property of James Weſtmaker; and five pair of cotton ſtockings, value 5s. a pair of ſilk ditto, value 6s. a ſhirt, unmade, value 3s. two ſilk handkerchiefs, value 6s. a muſlin ditto, value 12d. the property of Elizabeth Friend, in the dwelling-houſe of Edward Laſcelles.

ANN WESTMAKER *ſworn.*

I know the priſoner. My huſband, James Weſtmaker, lives butler to Captain Edward Laſcelles, and the priſoner was his helper: Elizabeth Friend is a ſervant out of place; ſhe ſlept with me; my apartment was over Captain Laſcelles' ſtables; ſhe brought ſome things there: on the evening of the 1ſt of Auguſt the things in the indictment (enumerating them) were taken away: the things belonging to my huſband were worth five pounds: I left the priſoner in care of the place when I went out, and when I came home I found the ſtable door open; I returned about a quarter before nine: the priſoner was miſſing, and the things gone, and my room door was open; I double locked my room door when I went out, and left the priſoner in the ſtable; I ſaw the things at Juſtice Bond's, in Bow-ſtreet.

(The things produced and depoſed to.)

Court. Is there any door out of the houſe into the ſtable?—Yes; but it is always faſtened on both ſides.

ROGER HODGKING *ſworn.*

I took the priſoner with the things the 2d of Auguſt, at a publick-houſe at Hounſlow; he had all the property except two pair of ſtockings and a pair of buckles; ſome were tied up; a waiſtcoat and ſhirt on his back, and a coat ready to put on.

Priſoner. I hope you will all be merciful to me: I was very much in liquor: I have not a friend within a hundred miles.

GUILTY 39*s. not of the breaking.*

Tried by the firſt Middleſex Jury before Lord KENYON.

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448. JOHN BROWN and WILLIAM GRAHAM were indicted for feloniouſly aſſaulting Richard Taylor, on the king's highway, on the 25th of October, and putting him in fear and danger of his life, and feloniouſly taking from his perſon and againſt his will, a ſilver watch, value 50s. a piece of ſteel chain, value 1d. two guineas, and half a guinea, his property.

RICHARD TAYLOR *ſworn.*

I am a taylor. I was robbed on the 25th of October, at a quarter paſt ſix at night; I was going towards Mile-End, on buſineſs, from John-ſtreet, No. 3; I met two men; one knocked me down with a ſtick; the priſoners are the two men: Brown knocked me down with a ſtout ſtick; he gave me a blow on the head juſt right when he met me, without ſpeaking to me; I had no ſuſpicion of them at firſt; I was ſtunned by the blow: I did not take any particular notice of them till I received the firſt blow; I had three blows before I fell: Graham did not ſtrike me at all: when I recovered my ſenſes I obſerved the two priſoners ſtanding over me, giving me many blows: it was a ſilver watch, and two guineas and a half, and two copper halfpence; they ſtaid with me a few minutes, and then went away; John Brown walked off; and on returning he gave me another blow: he ſtruck me with

his

his fist on my head; he went away then; it was a publick road for foot and horse, not a carriage-way; this was a quarter after six; I was very punctual in taking notice of the time; I saw nobody pass by; I went home; I saw the two prisoners next day at Shadwell, at Mr. Staple's office; I was there before the prisoners came; they were not in irons at first; I knew them immediately; I am sure those are the men; I suppose they were with me altogether about six or seven minutes.

Prisoner Brown. When Justice Staple's asked him who were the men, he said a tall man and a little man; says the justice, that will not do; and Mr. Mayne went up to him and said, why do not you swear to them.

Court. Did you say one was tall and the other short?—Yes.

JOHN WATTS *sworn.*

I am a waiter to a publican. Last Thursday night, between the hours of six and seven, very nigh seven, I was going with a pot of beer, and the prisoner Graham came to me (that is the shortest); I live at the Sun in Catherine's-lane; and he asked me to buy a watch; I said yes; then he took me on one side, and shewed it me; he asked three pounds: he went away; next morning he came again and offered me the watch for thirty shillings; then I suspected it was stolen: Brown was with him: I offered twenty-six shillings for it; Brown said I should not have it; and they came again and sold it me, and I went directly and laid an information.

Prosecutor. The Sun is about a mile from the place where I was robbed.

PETER MAYNE *sworn.*

I had the watch from Watts: it has been in my possession ever since.

(Produced and deposed to by the name and number.)

Prisoner Graham. Would you have known us if you had met us in the street?—Yes: here is some pieces that correspond, of the chain, which they left in my pocket.

PRISONER BROWN's DEFENCE.

I was, during the whole day, at Mr. Frenche's, in Church Lane, at the Blacksmith's Arms, only half an hour at night.

PRISONER GRAHAM's DEFENCE.

I was there too; the watch I offered to sell was my own watch, he often wanted to buy it before.

BOTH GUILTY, Death.

Tried by the first Middlesex Jury before Mr. Justice HEATH.

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449. JAMES CARPENTER was indicted for feloniously stealing, on the 5th of October, a silver milk pot, value 3l. the property of Richard Ponsonby, Esq. commonly called the Hon. Richard Ponsonby, in his dwelling house.

CATHERINE PHILLIPS, *sworn.*

I live with Mr. Richard Ponsonby, called the Hon. Richard Ponsonby, in New-street, Spring Gardens; I am his servant. On the 5th of October, between seven and eight in the morning, the prisoner came down the area steps about a quarter before eight, from the street into the kitchen; the kitchen door was wide open; it is seldom shut; he asked if Mr. Welch, or Walch, lived there, I told him no; he then went up into the street; he staid about two minutes, and then returned: he asked me if this was not Mr. Sponsby's house: the name Ponsonby is on the door; I said my master's name was Ponsonby; then he asked for Mr. Johnson: we have no servant in the house of that name: the silver cream pot stood on the kitchen dresser; and then said this is what I want, and thank you, and he ran up the area steps; I cried stop thief! I could not overtake him. I saw him again I believe the Saturday week after; this happened on the Friday morning; I knew him again; I am very sure the prisoner is the man; he was taken on my description;

deſcription; I never ſaw the milk pot after; I had not ſo little as five minutes converſation with him at both times; it was about a quarter after eight; I am regular in my work; I general riſe at half paſt ſix; I was ſtanding on the kitchen table duſting coppers; I ſaid he had very black hair, and a ſhortiſh perſon, nobody pointed him out to me.

JOHN JONES *ſworn.*

I was opening my maſter's ſhop, No. 4, Spring Gardens, about a hundred yards from Mr. Ponſonby's, about a quarter before eight, and I ſaw a man come round the corner very faſt, and he ran into Charing Croſs, and about a minute after this gentlewoman came running, and calling ſtop thief! it was the priſoner that ran; I have ſeen him ſeveral times about Spring Gardens before; I ſaw him again in Newſtreet, going into the Park; I went to tell Mr. Ponſonby, and he was gone; I ſaw him again the night following in Coventry-ſtreet; I came to Charing Croſs and told two of the Bow-ſtreet patrols; it was at night, about eight; I went with them, but he was gone, and we came down the Haymarket, and we ſaw him at the corner of Suffolk-ſtreet, and they laid hold of him and took him to the Hope; I attended at Bow-ſtreet on Monday, I am ſure of him.

JAMES CHEW *ſworn.*

I am one of the patrol belonging to Bow-ſtreet; I apprehended the priſoner; I found nothing on him.

WILLIAM BLACK *ſworn.*

I am the other patrole, I was alſo preſent; the boy pointed the priſoner out as the man.

Court to Mrs. Phillips. What ſort of a milk pot is this?—A handſome high new-faſhioned milk pot, ſtood on a foot, and had a lid, I do not know the weight of it.

PRISONER's DEFENCE.

I was in Covent-garden market that morning, buying a buſhel of apples, which I get my bread by ſelling on a jackaſs; know nothing of the matter.

GUILTY, 39*s.*

Tried by the firſt Middleſex Jury before Mr. Baron THOMPSON.

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450. JONH CASTLEDINE was indicted for feloniouſly ſtealing, on the 2d of October, five guineas, a ſilver watch, value 4*l.* a ſilver ſeal value 12*d.* a compoſition ſeal, value 12*d.* a ſteel ſeal, value 12*d.* the property of Daniel Ford, in the dwelling-houſe of Anthony New.

DANIEL FORD *ſworn.*

I came from Glouceſter to do a job of work for the Margrave of Anſpach; I went to him at Hammerſmith, and I met my maſter the Reverend Mr. Fearon; he took me to town to the Old White Horſe Cellar, the 16th of laſt June; I aſked for ſome victuals and a pint of beer, and went out of the Old White Horſe Cellar about a quarter before five; coming out at the door I met the priſoner; I never ſaw him before; I aſked him the road to Albemarle-ſtreet, he ſaid he was a ſtranger juſt come into town, but knew Albemarle-ſtreet very well, and in walking down he aſked me what countryman I was; he ſaid he was going down there, and we walked together; I told him I was a Glouceſterſhire man; he aſked me if I knew Stroudwater, in Glouceſterſhire, I told him I did very well; he aſked about ſeveral other village places which I did not know; he aſked me about one Hickman of Glouceſter: in walking 200 yards, or not ſo much, he was on the left hand ſide of me, there was a fine lady's purſe on a ſtep of a gentleman's door; he whipped round me; at that time I ſaw the purſe; he got hold of the purſe in his right hand, and ſlapped it into his waiſtcoat pocket; then he took me athwart the road, and ſaid, as we are ſtrangers juſt come into town, God, we have met with a fine prize; he took me to a publick houſe to have one pint of beer; I do not know

know that landlord's name; a ſtout luſty man in a blue coat came in, and then the priſoner pulled out the purſe, and a note that was in the purſe, and mentioned in the note that it was bought of a Mrs. Smith, a jeweller, a locket valued at 135l. there was a locket in the purſe, in a tortoiſe ſhell caſe; he ſaid he had a friend living up higher in the ſtreet, and he aſked me if I had picked it up would I have given him half? I ſaid I ſhould; he ſaid he would go to his friend and fetch 20l. and give it to me for my ſhare, and he would take the locket; then we three went to Mr. News, the Crown in Silver-ſtreet, there he called for a quart of porter, and went into the parlour, and then he ſaid he would ſtep and fetch the money; the other man ſaid he was a ſtranger to both of us, he thought he had a right to leave this locket, with him; then the priſoner pulled the purſe out of his pocket and gave it to his companion, and went out of the room for the *valuation* of ten minutes, then returned, ſaying his friend was not at home; and he aſked me what money I had in my pocket, I ſaid I had five or ſix guineas, I did not know which; I pulled out my purſe; I had but five guineas and three ſhillings; he aſked me what ſort of a watch I had, I told him it was almoſt a new one, I had juſt bought him, and given four guineas and a half for him; I put down the watch on the table with the five guineas, in the mean time the other man ſpoke to me, and the priſoner took my watch and five guineas off the table and walked off, and I never ſaw him any more till I came to ſwear to him.

Court. Before he took up the watch and the five guineas had you agreed that he was to take the watch and five guineas as part of the bargain?—No, I had no thoughts of his having my watch and money when he when out; the other man then pulled the purſe out of his pocket and gave me the locket, and ſaid he would be with me at nine o'clock, at the White Horſe Cellar; he walked off, and I never ſaw him ſince; I took the locket after the priſoner was gone; nothing was ſaid about his having my watch and money; I did not obſerve him take it, the other man was on the other ſide of the table; I ſaw the priſoner's hand upon the watch and money while I was talking to the other man: I went into the country and was ſent for; I never ſaw him till he was in cuſtody in Bow-ſtreet, about three weeks ago, ſince the 16th of June; I know him again; I never ſaw my watch and money; I have no doubt but the priſoner is the man.

Priſoner. Had you not the locket from me?—No, I had it not till after he was gone off with my watch and money.

Did you ſay the locket was left with you as a ſecurity?—No, the other man gave me the locket to meet me again at nine o'clock (the locket produced); I did not know what it was till afterwards they ſaid it was a *diamond ſtone.*

ANTHONY NEW *ſworn.*

I keep the Crown in Silver-ſtreet, Golden-ſquare; the 16th of laſt June the priſoner and proſecutor, and another in company, went into my parlour and called for a pot of porter; I never ſaw either of them before; the priſoner walked backwards and forwards from the parlour to the tap-room ſeveral times while the other two were in converſation; they were there about half an hour; I was not out of the tap-room the whole time; the priſoner went out firſt; I ſaw him; he ſaid not a word to me; I am poſitive to the priſoner; I did not ſee him till he was taken five weeks ago; the other man went out afterwards; he aſked me if the pot of beer was paid for, and he paid me for it, and in a few minutes after Ford came out enquiring after the two men, and he ſaid I doubt I am wronged out of my watch and property, and have nothing to ſhew for it but this locket, which I told him was worth very little; then he went away.

JONH BECK HEATHER *ſworn.*

I live in Long Acre; the utmoſt value of this locket is not worth more than 6s. or 7s. at moſt; the ſtones are ordinary paſte.

PRISONER's

PRISONER's DEFENCE.

Walking down Piccadilly, I met the profecutor, we walked on and I ſaw a purſe; ſays he there lays a purſe, I picked it up and he cried halves immediately; then he aſked me what countryman I was, I told him a Weſt countryman; he ſaid he was the ſame country; he ſaid as we are countrymen I hope you'll give me half; we went into Mr. New's; there was a ſtrange man; I took out a bill and receipt, and a locket, from the purſe; the profecutor aſked if there was nothing elſe in the purſe, and there was a locket, but I cannot ſay whether that is the ſame locket; I went to my friend, he was not in town, I came back and told him; ſays he I ſhould like to keep this, it is the firſt thing I ever found in my life; and the profecutor ſaid he would leave his money and his watch in my hands as an indemnification; he firſt gave the money to this man, a ſtranger to me; I went on Monday morning to the ſame place, he was not there.

GUILTY, Death. (Aged 48.)

Tried by the firſt Middleſex Jury before Mr. Baron THOMPSON.

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451. THOMAS FOULKES was indicted for feloniouſly aſſaulting William Dunn, in a certain field near the king's highway, on the 11th of September 1791, putting him in fear, and danger of his life, and feloniouſly taking from his perſon and againſt his will, five pieces of copper money called halfpence, his property.

WILLIAM DUNN *ſworn.*

I am a journeyman taylor, I live in Spicegardens, Ratcliffe-highway; on the 11th of September 1791, I was going towards Stepney, between five and ſix in the morning, my buſineſs requires my early riſing, and that morning I got up to take a walk; it was on a Sunday; I work for Mr. Gilleſpie in Baſinghall-ſtreet: about a quarter of a mile from Stepney, this Mr. Thomas Foulkes overtook me, and ſaid it is a fine morning, maſter, I ſaid yes; he ſaid it is a fine morning for muſhrooms; it may be ſays I, for I don't underſtand them; ſays he here are none to be got here, for people gather them every day, but if you take a walk with me as far as Bow-common there are plenty; I ſaid I had no notion of going ſo far; he aſked me if I was not an Iriſhman, I ſaid no; he ſaid I know you are from the North; I ſaid I was; he aſked me if I would have any thing to drink, ſays he you be a penny to my penny and we will have a quartern of gin at the Walnut-tree, they know me very well; we went there and they were not up; there he met a man whom he knew; I left him at the public houſe and went into a field oppoſite the Walnut-tree; there is an open place large enough to admit a carriage into the field; I walked round the field and came out again, and found this man talking to the other man that he before met with; the people at the Walnut-tree were then up. He aſked me if I would not then have a drop of gin, I ſaid I did not care; the priſoner called the landlord, Smallwood, bring a quartern of gin, it was brought, and he ſaid to the landlord don't you know me? yes, ſays the landlord, I know your face very well; ſays he don't you know I was drunk in your houſe on Sunday, and I fell over your pump and cut my lip; he pulled down his lip and ſhewed the mark; I remarked his lip; the landlord and him were talking, and I paid for the gin two pence, and went out: the priſoner had a piece of wood about three quarters of a yard long, and three inches ſquare every way; it appeared to be a joiſt for flooring, ſawed off one way and broke the other; as I was going out of the houſe he followed me; the landlord ſaid to him, you may as well leave that piece of wood for me to light the fire; he ſaid he would leave it as he came back again; we went out together, I was rather before; I was going towards Bow-common; ſometimes he was firſt, and ſometimes me: Bow-common was not my road home, but it was indifferent which way I went, I went merely for the air; I had walked about a quarter of a mile from the houſe towards Bow-

Bow-common, I had no intention of going to any praticular place, we had come to a brick wall, and the priſoner ſaid you had better come over here, (he was on the other ſide of the road not of the wall,) it is a chance if we don't get ſome muſhrooms here; I went to him, and he ſaid in the field, that butcher is to be at the publick houſe to pay me five ſhillings, and to bring a bit of ſteak; and he ſaid there was another man who owed him four ſhillings, and he aſked me if I could give him change for half a guinea, I ſaid no, I could not for a ſixpence; but ſays I, as you are known at the publick houſe, they will give you change; the priſoner ſaid ſo they will I dare ſay; then I began to ſuſpect my companion, and thought he meant to take my money, ſo I made towards the road; he came after me, and *come over my head* with that piece of wood, and ſtruck me over the head and cut my hat; and he ſaid, d—n your eyes, give me your money; I ſaid I have not got any, for Chriſt's ſake don't murder me; then he ſaid, d—n your eyes, if you ſpeak or look I will cut your throat with my knife; then he ſtruck me on my face with the wood; the firſt blow knocked me down, the ſecond blow put me paſt ſpeaking; after the ſecond blow I felt his fingers in my right hand waiſtcoat pocket; I do not know what elſe he did: this happened about half paſt ſix, as near as I can judge: I lay ſenſeleſs half an hour, and about ſeven I got up off the ground; I was ſenſeleſs from the blow, and, as near as I can gueſs, I lay in that ſtate half an hour, as I heard the clock ſtrike ſeven when I recovered; I had two pence halfpenny in my pocket, I had four pence halfpenny when I came out, and had ſpent two pence for gin; the two pence halfpenny was in that pocket, I had a ſhilling and a penknife in the other pocket, which fell out when I fell down, and when I got up I found them on the ground under where I was down; I got up as well as I could; I was helped up, there were two gentlemen came by: when I paid for the gin I am ſure I had the two pence halfpenny in my pocket; I went back to the Walnut-tree, and they waſhed my wounds and poured ſome brandy down my throat; I ſaw the priſoner ten months afterwards, it was ten months to a day; I went the day I was robbed to the magiſtrates in Wellcloſe-ſquare; I gave a particular deſcription to the runners, and I went home and was laid up four months: the firſt time I ſaw the priſoner afterwards was on the 4th of July; I met with him on the croſs road from Whitechapel, near the London Hoſpital; I was ſtruck with a kind of fear; the features of his face I was ſure of, I croſſed the road, turned about and ran before him, and had a full view of his face a ſecond time; I knew him to be the man; I ſat down to reſt me, I was ſo weak and tired, there was no aſſiſtance in the way; I did not ſpeak to him or he to me on the Wedneſday following, this was on a Thurſday; (I had ſent word to the office that I had ſeen the perſon who is at the bar;) juſt about twelve at noon I ſaw the priſoner in Baſing-hall-ſtreet, he was going into Coleman-ſtreet through a paſſage; I was four or five yards behind him and run paſt him into the paſſage; I looked him in the face; ſays I is not your name Foulkes? the butcher told me his name was Foulkes; he whiſpered *like*, and ſaid yes, do you know me? I ſaid yes I know you; ſays he, tell me where; yes, ſays I, I will tell you; ſays he, why do you not tell me; I got him out of the narrow part of the ally into Coleman-ſtreet, and laid hold of him by the collar, and I ſaid to him you are the man that left me for dead in Stepney-fields, and robbed me; there were two draymen ſtanding, and I charged them in the king's name to aſſiſt me; one of them collared him, and aſked a boy to fetch a conſtable; in the courſe of five minutes he ſaid, d—n you, let me go, I will go to a juſtice; I took him before Juſtice Clerk; he denied ſeeing me; he was committed.

Court. Now, conſidering the diſtance of time ten months, and that this man's life is at ſtake, can you venture to ſwear that the priſoner is the man?—Yes, I am perfectly ſure; if his head was cut off I ſhould know it.

Court.

Court. I am ſure, if it is upon ſuch a recollection as that, it will have but little weight.—Looking at the cut of his lip, and every feature of his face, I am very poſitive nothing can be more ſo.

Priſoner. At the firſt hearing did not you ſet it down as an aſſault?—Upon my oath my firſt complaint was both an aſſault and robbery, and the ſecond complaint was the ſame.

Lord Kenyon. It ſhould be underſtood that the magiſtrates ought to return the examinations.

JOSEPH SMALLWOOD *ſworn.*

I keep the Walnut Tree. The priſoner and proſecutor came into my houſe on a ſabbath day in the morning, in September, a little after ſix; I knew the priſoner; I never ſaw Mr. Dunn before to my knowledge; they called for a quartern of gin; I ſerved them; Dunn paid twopence for it; they went towards the Mile End Road together, from our houſe; I ſaw them in an hour or two afterwards; Dunn was brought in by two acquaintances of mine, William Palmer and Fat Jack, a waterman; Dunn was cut and mangled in a bad ſituation; I gave him ſome brandy inwardly as well as outwardly; I thought a little inwardly was as well as all outwardly; his left cheek was cut terribly, ſwelled ever ſo big: he ſaid the man that went out with him had beat him and abuſed him, but whether he mentioned a robbery I cannot charge my memory, I was ſo much frightened; I never ſaw the priſoner after, till the ſecond examination; I knew him by having the accident of the cut on his lip, by tumbling over a pump at the door, and he aſked me if I did not remember it; I recollected him from that, and I am ſure he is the man.

JAMES HALL *ſworn.*

I live at Hoxton; I am an officer belonging to the city; on Wedneſday, the 11th of July laſt, I apprehended the priſoner; I aſked what he had done, the anſwer was, this is the man that robbed and murdered me; I thought it a very odd expreſſion: I took him before Mr. Juſtice Rupert Clarke: the priſoner ſaid he could bring witneſſes to prove that he was at the Cheſt at Chatham: he was committed.

PRISONER's DEFENCE.

I thank you, my Lord, and the honourable Court. I aſſure you I grant the firſt part of Dunn's evidence, in meeting with him and going to the Walnut Tree, to Mr. Smallwood's houſe; there we drank together; but as to ever hurting him, or putting my hand on his perſon, I never did; in the next place he has croſſed himſelf very much: he did ſay to the carman, this man has murdered me; why, d—n me, ſays the carman (begging your pardon, my Lord) you look like a murdered man: I ſaid I would go before any magiſtrate, I know my innocence; we walked arm and arm together, and we went to Guildhall, where 'Squire Boydell was ſitting alderman; he ſent us in a coach to Mr. Juſtice Clarke; there he only ſwore at the firſt hearing that I committed a very violent aſſault, but never mentioned a word of robbing him till the Saturday, then he ſaid I had robbed him of two-pence halfpenny; I was only committed for a violent aſſault, till the laſt ſeſſion the grand jury found a bill for robbery.

Jury to Smallwood. Did you ſee a certain piece of timber of three inches broad in the hands of the priſoner?—The piece of quartering, of floor joiſt, he carried it away with him; I aſked him to give it me to light the fire; and he ſaid he would give it me when he came back: I never ſaw it again.

Priſoner. I only came out of the ſick ward this morning; I was ſeven weeks there: I have no witneſſes: I am very weak.

GUILTY, Death. (Aged 38.)

Tried by the firſt Middleſex Jury before Mr. Baron HOTHAM.

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452. MARTHA MARSHALL was indicted for feloniouſly breaking and enter-

ing the dwelling-houſe of William Lowe, about ten in the forenoon of the 17th of October, no perſon being therein, and ſtealing therein a man's hat, value 6s. a velveret waiſtcoat, value 2s. 6d. and a linen ſhirt, value 12d. his property.

WILLIAM HOW *ſworn.*

I am a gardiner, near the Three Tuns, Kingſland. On Wedneſday, the 17th of October, I was robbed; I went out at ſix in the morning, and returned at nine to breakfaſt; I went out at half paſt nine again; I left nobody there; I faſtened the houſe by driving a large nail in the ſhutter; it is a cottage; I locked the door, and ſtaid till ten, when I was called home, and found the window broke open, the nail broke in two, which I have in my pocket, and the pots of mirtles broke; there were the marks of patten rings all over the floor; there is but one boarded floor: it was a wet day: I found nobody in it: my neighbours were with me: the window was very low: I looked in my box, and miſſed a man's hat and a ſhirt, and a velveret waiſtcoat; the key was in the lock of the box, which was unlocked; I ſaw the priſoner go by in the morning, between ſix and ſeven, with a brickmaker, to a publick-houſe; I took the priſoner in the road going to Ball's Pond Turnpike, about half a mile from my houſe, about four in the afternooon; I took two duplicates from her; I gave them to Mr. Harper: I found all the things at Mrs. Pepperall's, a pawnbroker at Hoxton; the value of the hat was two ſhillings or half-a-crown; the waiſtcoat was almoſt new, worth two ſhillings and ſixpence; the ſhirt is worth one ſhilling: my wife is not here.

ELIZABETH PEPPERALL *ſworn.*

I am a pawnbroker at Hoxton town: (produces the things) the priſoner came with them to me on the 17th of October, between eleven and twelve, and pledged the things in the name of Martha Marſhall: I knew her before: I gave her three duplicates; I ſhould know them again; ſhe ſaid they were her huſband's.

SAMUEL HARPER *ſworn.*

I produce the things which I had from the pawnbroker's; I ſhewed her the duplicates, but I have ſince miſlaid or loſt them; the pawnbroker's is about a mile from Mr. How's houſe. (The things depoſed to by the proſecutor).

Priſoner. A man aſked me to pledge them, and gave me a ſhilling; he told me to put the duplicates into my pocket.

GUILTY 2s. (Aged 23),

Tried by the firſt Middleſex Jury before Mr. RECORDER.

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453. SARAH COWDEN was indicted for feloniouſly returning from tranſportation, and being found at large on the 27th of September laſt, without lawful cauſe.

JOHN OWEN *ſworn.*

I am a ſervant to Mr. Akerman; I know the priſoner; in February 1788 the priſoner was capitally convicted; this is a certificate from Mr. Sheldon of her conviction; in June 1789 ſhe received a conditional pardon; I delivered her for tranſportation, on board the Lady Juliana; ſhe has behaved very well; I have no doubt of her perſon whatever. (The record of the conviction read).

PETER MAYNE *ſworn.*

I apprehended the priſoner in Spital-ſtreet; ſhe was at work in the ſilk way; it was on the 27th of the laſt month; I have made enquiries into her character, it is a very good one; ſhe has had a child or two, I believe, ſince ſhe got away.

JOHN COOK *ſworn.*

I ſpeak to the ſame effect as Mayne.

Priſoner. I have witneſſes to my character; I have worked hard ever ſince I left the ſhip: the priſoner called five witneſſes, who had known her ſince ſhe eſcaped,

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who gave her a very good character for honeſty and induſtry.

GUILTY, Death.

Tried by the firſt Middleſex Jury before Mr. Baron THOMPSON.

Recommended to mercy by the jury.

Court. Gentlemen, you are right; I ſhall certainly join my recommendation.

Lord Kenyon to the Priſoner. If you are let looſe, I hope you will purſue the ſame line of induſtry which you have done according to the character you have had given you this day.

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454. JOHN DODRIDGE was indicted for feloniouſly ſtealing, on the 24th day of Auguſt, a wooden cheſt, value 6d. and eighty-one pound of tea, value 10l. the goods of Edward Eagleton, privately, in his dwelling houſe.

JOHN WRIGHT *ſworn.*

I live ſhopman with Mr. Eagleton; he is a tea dealer in Cheapſide; Mr. Conſtable came on the 25th of Auguſt and enquired if we had not loſt a cheſt of tea; we examined our ſtock and found the tea deficient; we knew the number of the cheſt; it was 4683; I ſaw the cheſt at Hercules' Court, in Threadneedle-ſtreet, about twelve o'clock the ſame day; it was delivered to Mr. Hunt, he is a conſtable (looks at a paper); the box contained about eighty-two pounds: I never ſaw the priſoner about our houſe.

WILLIAM RENSHAW *ſworn.*

I am a ticket porter; on the 24th of Auguſt, about nine o'clock in the evening, I ſaw the priſoner and two men coming along Cornhill; I followed them through Finch Lane; they went up Threadneedle-ſtreet; they pitched the box; I ſuſpected they had ſtole it, and ran for Hunt, and he took the priſoner; the box was on the priſoner's back; he could not carry it, but dropped it: he ſaid before the Lord Mayor that they gave him 6d. to carry it.

WILLIAM HUNT *ſworn.*

I was called by Renſhaw; when I went to lay hold of the priſoner he had the box on his ſhoulders and threw it down; he ran away; I took the cheſt of tea to my houſe; I have kept it ever ſince (produced); there was tea in it, the cheſt was ſtove by falling.

Wright. This ſeems to be the ſame; it is marked 4683; there are two initial letters, G. C. they ſignification are of the ſhip the General Coote; we had three cheſts by the ſame ſhip; they were amongothers in the front ſhop.

PRISONER's DEFENCE.

I know nothing about it; they aſked me to cary it, and ſaid they would give me 6d. I ſaid I would if I could, but it was too heavy.

Court. What is the value of the tea? —don't over value it, place it rather under than over the mark? — It is worth at leaſt 10l. my Lord.

The priſoner called four witneſſes to his character.

GUILTY, 39s.

Tried by the London Jury before Mr. RECORDER.

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455. JOHN SMALL was indicted for feloniouſly ſtealing, on the 17th day of September laſt, 16 pounds of raw ſugar, value 8s. the goods of perſons unknown.

THOMAS HUNTER *ſworn.*

I am officer to the Weſt India merchants; the priſoner had charge of thelighter between five and ſix in the afternoon; he was watchman; he came up the ladder, and I ſaid he had a bundle; I ſearched him, and he had ſome ſugar tied in a handkerchief, and his great coat wrapped in it; he ſaid he brought it from the ſhip, the Hannah, from Jamaica; Wells ſaw me take it; he had a little

a little bag in his jacket and another in his breeches. (Produces the bags and handkerchief).

WILLIAM WELLS *ſworn.*

I know no more than the laſt witneſs; we found this (a cane ſcoop) in his pocket; it is not a thing commonly uſed on board a ſhip.

GUILTY, (Aged 49).

Tried by the London Jury before Mr. RECORDER.

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456. THOMAS GIBSON and JOHN MATHERS were indicted for feloniouſly ſtealing, on the 24th of September, thirty-ſix pounds of braſs, value 18s. the goods of certain perſons unknown.

WILLIAM DOLLOWAY *ſworn.*

On the 24th of September, about two o'clock, I ſaw the priſoner Gibſon and the other come out from among ſome caſks, where there was ſome copper and braſs; I was adjoining the Cuſtom Houſe quay, and I ſaw the tall man, Mathers; he he ped to lay the braſs under Gibſon's jacket; they attempted to croſs the way; I followed them and aſked what they were going to do with it; Gibſon then let it fall, and Greenwood took him by the collar and brought him back to the place where he had taken the braſs from; Mather got away; I am poſitive Gibſon is the man, and I believe Mather to be the other.

——— THORNTON *ſworn.*

I ſaw the priſoner Mather aſſiſt Gibſon in taking this braſs out of the caſk, and Gibſon aſſiſted Mather to put it under his jacket.

JAMES GREENWOOD *ſworn.*

I am a weigher on the keys of London; when the noon tender took the man I took him back to the key; that was Gibſon.

WILLIAM GREEN *ſworn.*

I am a conſtable; I took Gibſon; and by *inſcriptions* given of Mathers, I took him next day.

The priſoners, in their defence, ſaid they knew nothing of it. (The braſs produced).

BOTH GUILTY.

Tried by the London Jury before Mr. RECORDER.

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457. HENRY COWARD was indicted for ſtealing, on the 4th of October, a man's cloth coat, value 5s. a cloth waiſtcoat, value 4s. and a cambric handkerchief, value 1s. the property of William Clark.

WILLIAM CLARK *ſworn.*

I live in King ſtreet, Tower Hill; I keep a clothe's ſhop, the priſoner is a ſailor; two of his ſhipmates lodged with me; he came by their deſire to my houſe in May; he was to ſtay till he could get a ſhip; I took him in out of kindneſs, and he ſtaid till Oct. 4th; in the afternoon of that day he told me he had got a birth on board a ſloop, and was going away either that evening or the next morning; I went out, and returned about eight o'clock; the priſoner was gone; I had ſeen the coat and waiſtcoat that day in the one pair of ſtairs back room; I miſſed them next morning; I ſaw no more of him till the 18th; before the juſtice he confeſſed it; he was taken on the 17th of October; as I was coming from the juſtice's I ſaw my waiſtcoat hanging up at the door of a clothe's ſhop, I went in and deſired the woman to ſhew me the waiſtcoat; her huſband is here; it is the ſame waiſtcoat I loſt; then I aſked her if ſhe could ſhew me a coat, ſhe did, and the handkerchief was produced before the juſtice, it was marked I. B.

JAMES M'EWEN, *ſworn.*

I live at No. 60, Roſemary Lane; I am a ſaleſman; I produce the property which

which I bought of the priſoner, either the 4th or 5th of October; I am ſure he is the man of whom I bought them; he came in and aſked me 18s. for all the things; I agreed for 17s. I aſked him how he came by them; he ſaid they were made for him when he came home from ſea; I thought the coat was not his ſize; he offered to try them on; I ſaid, there is no occaſion if they are your own.

Clark depoſes to the clothes.

Priſoner. I had been among my ſhipmates, and was in liquor.

GUILTY.

Tried by the ſecond Middleſex Jury before Mr. Baron THOMPSON.

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458. WILLIAM YOUNG CHANT was indicted for ſtealing, on the 18th of October, one cloth coat, value 5s. one waiſtcoat, value 2s. and a hat, value 1s. the property of Joſhua Walker.

JOSHUA WALKER *ſworn.*

I live in Compton-ſtreet, Clerkenwell; on the 10th of October I loſt my things; I was ſitting at dinner; I was informed a man had gone out with a bundle; I purſued him; I went to the priſoner, he had nothing of mine.

JOSEPH WALKER *ſworn.*

I am ſon of Joſhua Walker; as I was ſitting at dinner on the 16th of October William Stone, our apprentice, came in and ſaid, is any body gone out? my father ſaid no; my father ſent me after the priſoner; I came up with him; he was running acroſs Northampton-ſtreet; I overtook him; he had the coat and hat under his right arm; I told him to ſtop; he dropped the coat and hat; I told him to ſtop; he would not; I knocked him down, and apprehended him; he ſaid, do you want to rob me? and aſked me to come out and fight; this is the hat and coat he dropped.

Joſhua Walker depoſes to the things.

WILLIAM STONE *ſworn.*

I am Mr. Walker's apprentice; I was at work in the back ſhop; my fellow apprentice ſaid, there is ſomebody gone out of the ſhop; I did not ſee him go out.

Priſoner. I had been drinking with a young man, and he deſired me to carry the goods to Iſlington, and he would pay me for my trouble.

The priſoner called two witneſſes, who gave him a good character.

GUILTY.

Tried by the ſecond Middleſex Jury before Lord KENYON.

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459. WILLIAM CLANCEY was indicted for feloniouſly ſtealing, on the 14th of October, 4lb. weight of printing types, value 4s. the goods of Simon Stephenſon.

SIMON STEPHENSON *ſworn.*

I am a letter founder in Bream's-buildings, Chancery-lane, I can only ſpeak to the property.

JAMES BARKER *ſworn.*

I am a printer; on the 19th of October the priſoner came to my ſhop and wanted to ſell ſome types, I aſked him how he came to ſell ſuch a quantity; I live in Ruſſell-court Drury-lane; he told me his brother was a printer and was dead, that this was all that was left; I aſked him who had bought the reſt, he ſaid his ſiſter had ſold them, and he could not tell to whom; he ſeemed flurried, and deſired I would give them to him again; I ſaid I would not till he gave a better account of himſelf; he took to his heels and ran up the court, and I purſued and took him to Bow-ſtreet; going into the office he ſaid he had told me a lie, that he had no brother a printer, he was a founder; I have kept them ever ſince.

John Allen. Court. How old are you? —Twelve, Sir.

Court.

Court. What becomes of boys who tell lies?—Go to a bad place, Sir.

JOHN ALLEN *ſworn.*

I am ſervant to Mr. Stephenſon; I ſet up the letters; I put the letters upon a ſtick to be dreſſed; I was carrying the things home; I ſet them down at the corner of Bedford-bury; it was on a Thurſday, about ſix o'clock; I had three parcels, which I took from my maſter's in Bream's buildings, and was to carry them to Orange-ſtreet, Leiceſter-fields: at the corner of Bedford-bury, I aſked the man to help me with the types on my head; yes, my lad, ſays he, they are very heavy; the priſoner is the man; he aſked me where I was going; I ſaid, to Orange-ſtreet, Leiceſter-fields; he ſaid he would take one for me; he had two, I had one; at the corner of St. Martin's-lane, he put it out of his right hand into his left; I ſaid, Sir, there are two; no, ſays he, there is not; I will run back, I can run faſter than you; I ran after him, and he gave me the *dodge*; I loſt him; I am not ſure the priſoner is the man; I believe he is the man.

Mr. Stephenſon. I am ſure this is my type, the letter X has a flaw in it.

PRISONER's DEFENCE.

He ſaid that he kicked againſt it in the ſtreet; and that he did not know the value of it; that he took it to an old iron ſhop, and they told him it would be of more value to a printer; and that he took it to Mr. Barker, in Ruſſell-court, who ſtopped him.

GUILTY.

Tried by the ſecond Middleſex Jury before Mr. RECORDER.

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460. JAMES MILL HOLLAND was indicted for ſtealing, on the 18th of October, two linen ſhirts, ruffled, value 1l. one other ſhirt, value 10s. and other articles, the goods of William Sumner, Eſq. and eight ſilver table ſpoons, value 4l. the goods of ——Crockett, Eſq. in his dwelling-houſe:

A ſecond count, laying the robbery to have been committed in the dwelling-houſe of Meſſrs. Caſtell, Powell, Sumner, and Wilſon.

Mr. Garrow, Counſel for the Priſoner.

(The priſoner deſired the witneſſes to be examined ſeparate.)

WILLIAM SUMNER Eſq. *ſworn*

I live in Lombard-ſtreet; Samuel Caſtell, Walter Powell, William Sumner, and William Wilſon, is the firm of our houſe; the priſoner was my butler; the articles mentioned in the indictment were in his care; the plate was Mr. Crockell's; he ſent his property to be taken care of, not as to a banking-houſe, but as a friend; I received information from Kennedy, and went to Marlborough-ſtreet on the 23d of October; I can only ſpeak to the property.

JAMES MEAD *ſworn.*

I am a pawnbroker in Carnaby-ſtreet; I have two ſhirts; I took in a ſhirt of the priſoner on the 15th of October; on the 18th, about half paſt ſix, the priſoner came to my ſhop, and produced eight ſpoons and two waiters; here they are; (produced;) he wanted twelve guineas on them; I found the waiters were only plated; and I ſuſpected they were not his own, as he aſked more than they were worth; he ſaid they were left him by Mrs. Crockett; and I ſaid, then I ſuppoſe the waiters are ſilver, oh yes, ſir, ſays he; I then told him I had not ſufficient caſh; I went out, and told him I would get change for a note; I went to the public-office, and took one of the ſpoons; I returned with Kennedy and he was gone; he was taken in half an hour.

JAMES KENNEDY *ſworn.*

I am a police officer; I apprehended the priſoner, and took him to the office; I ſearched him, and found ten duplicates.

JAMES

JAMES WILLIAM TYLER *ſworn.*

I am ſervant to Dixon; I produce two decanters, two ſhirts, one pair of cotton ſtockings, one handkerchief, and two muſlin neckeſoths; ſome of thoſe things were pledged in Auguſt, ſome in September, and ſome in October; I ſaw the priſoner pledge the ſhirts; I ſaw the duplicates delivered.

WADE KENDREW *ſworn.*

I am ſervant to a pawnbroker; I took in a pair of ſilk ſtockings; (produced;) I don't know the priſoner.

Mr. Sumner.—Theſe are a particular kind of ſtockings; they were made for me on purpoſe; I am ſure they are mine: here is a ſhirt marked with red ſilk, or red cotton.

Priſoner. I have nothing to ſay, I only beg for mercy.

GUILTY, 39s. (Aged 32.)

Tried by the London Jury before Mr. RECORDER.

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461. WILLIAM NEWMAN was indicted for feloniouſly ſtealing, on the 17th of October, two bacon hams, value 30s. the goods of Philip Sewell.

(The witneſſes examined ſeparate.)

PHILIP SEWELL *ſworn.*

On the 17th of October I loſt two hams; about a quarter before eight in the evening, the priſoner and another came and aſked me for a quarter of a pound of cheeſe; the man threw down a ſhilling hard on the counter, and it fell down behind the counter; in picking up the ſhilling, I ſaw Newman was reaching ſomething out at the door, and I could not think what it was; they were the only two hams in the ſhop; then Newman laid hold of another ham; as ſoon as I ſaw that, I ran round the counter, and cried ſtop thief! Newman ran out of the ſhop; they got one ham clear off, the other they dropped; I never recovered the ham again; the hams were both together in the ſhop, in one place; when the priſoner ran away, he ran about thirty yards; I loſt ſight of him; when he was brought back, I knew him to be the ſame man; he offered me two guineas to let him go.

Mr. Garrow, Priſoner's Counſel.—It was between ſeven and eight in the evening when you loſt your hams?—Yes.

You loſt only one?—No more.

THOMAS GURNEY *ſworn.*

I am an apprentice to Mr. Wade, cabinet-maker; I heard the proſecutor cry ſtop thief! he was running, and I ſtopped him.

HENRY ABBOT *ſworn.*

I am a baker; I was going by between ſeven and eight, and I ſaw Newman have a ham; I don't know who the man was he gave the ham to; then he went into the ſhop and fetched another, and run out of the ſhop; we ſtopped him.

Mr. Garrow. It was duſk, was it not?—Yes, Sir.

Did you ever ſay, before the alderman, that you did not ſee him give the ham to any one?—No, ſir.

JOHN KING *ſworn.*

I am a conſtable, and produce a ham; I had it from the proſecutor.

RICHARD ELBY *ſworn.*

I know no more than the laſt witneſs.

Priſoner. I leave it all to my counſel.

He called nine witneſſes, who gave him a good character.

GUILTY.

Tried by the London Jury before Mr. RECORDER.

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462. THOMAS BROWN was indicted for ſtealing, on the 4th of October, nine pieces of worſted ſtuffs called wildbores, value 15l. the goods of William Deacon.

WILLIAM DEACON *ſworn.*

I live at No. 59, Walling-ſtreet; on the 4th

4th of October, I loſt nine pieces of wild-bores from my warehouſe; about half paſt five in the evening I was in my compting-houſe, and heard the bell tingle; I went into the warehouſe and miſſed two rolls of wildbores: I went into the ſtreet and ſaw the priſoner not twenty yards off, returning; he had one roll on his ſhoulder; I purſued and took him: they are here. (Produced). This is mine.

Priſoner. A man offered me a ſhilling to carry it to Billingſgate.

GUILTY.

Tried by the London Jury before Lord KENYON.

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463. ANN THORN was indicted for feloniouſly ſtealing, on the 27th of October, two ſilver table-ſpoons, value 7s. one pair of man's ſhoes, value 2s. and other things, the goods of Philip Bond.

PHILIP BOND *ſworn.*

I am a gun-maker: the priſoner was my ſervant; ſhe lived with me two months; I had her taken upon Wedneſday; I loſt the things named in the indictment: I ſpeak from my own knowledge of the loſs of the ſpoons and ſhoes; in conſequence of knowing this loſs I ſent for a conſtable.

ABIGAIL STEWART *ſworn.*

I am apprentice to Mrs. Bond, mantua-maker. On Monday I was out all day, and came home at night, and Mrs. Bond ſaid ſhe miſſed an apron, and on Tueſday ſhe miſſed two ſpoons; on Wedneſday a conſtable was ſent for, and ſhe confeſſed; the conſtable ſearched her, and found ſeveral duplicates, and among them was ſome of Mrs. Bond's property; ſhe was taxed with it; ſhe owned to having taken the wearing apparel, but not the ſpoons; ſhe had a muſlin apron in her pocket; ſhe begged for mercy; Mrs. Bond ſaid it was better for her to confeſs: they begged her to confeſs every thing: I was in the room all the time, ſhe never ſaid ſhe had made away with the things.

JOSEPH CRORKEN *ſworn.*

I am a pawnbroker; I produce two ſheets, one ſpoon, one pair of men's ſhoes; I took in one ſheet and a napkin: I have kept the things ever ſince; I know the priſoner, ſhe frequented our ſhop.

THOMAS WOOD *ſworn.*

I am a conſtable of Langbourne Ward; on the 31ſt of October I ſearched the priſoner, and found this checked muſlin apron; I found near forty duplicates on her, five in this book, and the reſt in a ſtocking; they were in her pocket.

Stewart. I know this is Mrs. Bond's ſheet, it is marked A. it was her's before ſhe was married; the napkin is marked P. A. B.

Proſecutor. Theſe ſhoes are mine, this ſpoon is mine.

Priſoner. I parted with thoſe things not with any deſign to wrong my maſter or miſtreſs. Some of the duplicates were found on the ground, and ſo was the pocket-book.

GUILTY.

Tried by the London Jury before Mr. RECORDER.

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464. WILLIAM CAUSEWAY was indicted for ſtealing, on the 13th of October, four metal watch chains, value 2s. the goods of John Saunders.

JOHN SAUNDERS *ſworn.*

I am a hardwareman; I live in Fleet-market; on Saturday the 13th of October I loſt four gilt watch chains, I was informed that my glaſs-caſe was robbed, I ran out, and found the ſhow-glaſs robbed; I purſued the priſoner, and brought him back and ſearched him; a neighbour ſaid ſearch his hair (I had forgot Barrington's ſcheme), and I took his hat off, and the chains dropped down from his hair.

PRISONER's

PRISONER's DEFENCE.

I bought them of a ſchool-fellow that I was playing with; I am not 12 years old.

GUILTY.

Tried by the London Jury, before Lord KENYON.

Has the priſoner been here before?

John Owen. Five or ſix times.

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465. MARTHA HALL was indicted for ſtealing, on the 17th of October, twenty linen ſheets, value 5l. a damaſk table-cloth, vaule 5s. and divers other things, the property of Henrietta Maria Hungerford, in her dwelling-houſe.

HENRIETTA MARIA HUNGERFORD *ſworn.*

I live in Cavendiſh Square; it is two years ſince I went into the country; I returned in October laſt; I found my houſe in great confuſion; all the articles mentioned in the indictment, and many more were miſſing to a very great amount: I applied to the Police office; I had a very good opinion of the priſoner.

SAMUEL HAMILTON *ſworn.*

I apprehended the priſoner, and found eighty-three duplicates on her: I went to the pawnbroker's and found that the things were chiefly the lady's.

——— THACKERAY *ſworn.*

I am a pawnbroker; I received this table cloth from Martha Hall; and a napkin, the 24th of October.

——— MULCASTER *ſworn.*

I produce a ſheet and petticoat; I took in the ſheet on the 25th of May of the priſoner.

SEPTIMIUS SADLER *ſworn.*

I am a pawnbroker: I produce five ſheets and two bollter caſes: I received on the 12th of November, 1791, a ſheet; on the 12th of September a pair of ſheets; they are worth about fifteen ſhillings; I had them of the priſoner.

JOHN BROWN *ſworn.*

I am a pawnbroker: I produce a ſheet and a table-cloth.

Priſoner. My huſband was long upon me; I have had a lying-in, and I have loſt the uſe of my hand, and I did this becauſe I was urged by the greateſt diſtreſs: I have lived with Mrs Hungerford four years and an half, and there is a great difference between us now.

GUILTY, 39s.

Tried by the ſecond Middleſex Jury before Lord KENYON.

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466. ANN LUMLEY was indicted for feloniouſly ſtealing, on the 1ſt of October, one ſhirt, value 2s. a muſlin neck-cloth, value 1s. and a pair of nankeen breeches, value 3s. the goods of John Manning.

JOHN MANNING *ſworn.*

I live at No. 1, Little White Lion-ſtreet, Seven Dials: I loſt the things on Monday, the 1ſt of October: I took the things to the priſoner to waſh, on the 28th of September: on the Monday I went to her lodgings, No. 12, in Caſtle-ſtreet; I received them of her, and went to the ſhop where I work, which is in the houſe where ſhe lives in, and on the ſame floor; there I put on a clean ſhirt, and under the bench I placed the ſhirt, breeches, and neck-cloth: I am a lockſmith: I threw my foul ſhirt over them, to keep the duſt from them; then I went out about nine o'clock in the morning; I did not return there that day; on Tueſday morning I miſſed the things, when I went to work: on Wedneſday morning I went to the priſoner's door, and ſhe opened it; I aſked if ſhe knew any thing of my linen; ſhe ſaid ſhe knew nothing about them ſince ſhe gave them to me on Monday; I enquired of my ſhopmate; I had a ſuſpicion of this woman,

and enquired at ſeveral pawnbrokers, and at laſt, at Mr. Brown's, I found my ſhirt and neck-cloth; I have never found the breeches: I got a conſtable and took her up at night.

JOHN MINGAY *ſworn.*

I am apprentice to Mrs. Lane, in Caſtle-ſtreet: the priſoner came to me in the ſhop, and deſired me to give her John Manning's dirty ſhirt and ſtockings; I gave them to her; ſhe ſaw the clean things laying there, and ſaid they will get dirty; ſhe brought me a piece of old ſilk to lay over them, which I did; then I went down ſtairs.

——— HALES *ſworn.*

I am ſervant to Mr. Brown, Long Acre: I produce a ſhirt and neck-cloth; I took them in of the priſoner at the bar, both in one day, though at different times; I lent one ſhilling on the ſhirt and ſixpence on the neck-cloth.

(The ſhirt and neck-cloth depoſed to.)

PRISONER's DEFENCE.

I own I took the ſhirt and neck-cloth through diſtreſs: I meant to redeem them; he owes me more than the things were worth.

GUILTY.

Tried by the ſecond Middleſex Jury before Mr. Baron THOMPSON.

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467. JOHN FRANCIS was indicted for ſtealing, on the 24th of October, a ſilver table ſpoon, value 5s. the property of William Reeve.

WILLIAM REEVE *ſworn.*

I live at Iſlington: I loſt a ſilver table ſpoon: I don't know when it was ſtolen.

MARTHA CLARK *ſworn.*

On the 24th of October I ſaw the priſoner take a ſilver ſpoon from the kitchen window of Mr. Reeve, and put it in his pocket; it is a private houſe; I am an oppoſite neighbour; I went out and purſued the priſoner; I ſpoke to the priſoner, and ſaid you villain give me the ſpoon; and a man that was with him laid hold of my ſleeve, and ſaid I will take him for you; I wrenched my arm from him, and he run down Bray's-buildings, and I followed him till he was taken; I am ſure he is the man.

GUILTY.

Tried by the ſecond Middleſex Jury before Lord KENYON.

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468. WILLIAM BRIDGES was indicted for ſtealing, on the 15th of September, twenty-nine pounds of pork, value 6d. two pewter pots, value 8d. and one ſhilling and elevenpence in money, the property of Thomas Davis.

THOMAS DAVIS *ſworn.*

I keep a publick-houſe. The priſoner ſtole two pewter pots and two quarts of beer.

SARAH SAWYER *ſworn.*

I am a ſervant to Mr. Davis. I remember the priſoner; he came in about nine, and ordered two pots of porter and change for half-a-crown, to No. 8; I went there; and he ſaid it was No. 4; then he ſaid it was not there, it was No. 30; he called a man to take them, and wanted me to go back for another pot, tobacco, and pipes; I would not; he got the change out of my hand by force, and ſaid he would not pay me or give me the half crown; I laid hold of his coat, and he came back to my maſters, and delivered up the change; what became of the porter and pots afterwards, I don't know; I went back again to ſee about the beer and pots, and my maſter came with the priſoner.

Thomas Davis. I was in the houſe when the man came back; and he gave me the change, and I ſaid it makes no difference if you will let me have my beer and pots: I went to No. 30, and the man and the

pots

pots were gone; I took him to the watch-houſe.

EDWARD HALL *ſworn.*

On the 15th of September, I was going into the cellar, and the priſoner came to the door and ordered two pots of beer to go to No. 8.

GUILTY.

Tried by the ſecond Middleſex Jury before Mr. Juſtice HEATH.

There was another indictment againſt the priſoner for ſtealing from James Johnſton two pots of porter and two pewter pots, and one ſhilling and eleven-pence, of which he was found guilty.

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469. EDWARD BURN was indicted for feloniouſly ſtealing, on the 24th of October, a truſs of hay, value 18d. the goods of Richard Mortimer.

RICHARD MORTIMER *ſworn.*

I am a farmer in the New Road, St. Pancras. I loſt a truſs of hay on Wedneſday, the 24th of laſt month; it was loſt out of my loft.

ELIZABETH KELLEY *ſworn.*

I am a milk-carrier. I was going to Mr. Mortimer's houſe, and the priſoner was behind me; he went away, and preſently he came out with a truſs of hay on his back; I followed him and took it off his back, and ſtopped him, and brought him back to Mr. Mortimer's yard; it was paſt nine in the evening: he ſaid the hay was his own.

JOHN CLARKE *ſworn.*

I am a ſervant to Mr. Mortimer; I packed the hay, and know this hay belongs to Mortimer; the cutting and colour of the hay, and the bands, I know, and the twiſting, it came from a rick that heated, and there was a mouldy place.

JOHN CAMMELLS *ſworn.*

I am a watchman: Kelley told me that a man had got a truſs of hay; and I followed him and took him with the hay, which hay I delivered to Mr. Mortimer.

GUILTY.

Tried by the ſecond Middleſex Jury before Mr. RECORDER.

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470. CHARLES ANKLE was indicted for ſtealing, on the 18th of September laſt, a blue damaſk cuſhion, value 4s. the property of John Lane.

JOHN LANE *ſworn.*

I am a broker: I live at No. 15, Baker-ſtreet, Weſtminſter: I loſt a cuſhion on the 18th of September; I was at work in the yard; and I was informed a perſon had taken one of them; I went into Maidenhead-court: my wife came, and a parcel of people: I cannot ſwear to the priſoner; I think he is very like him; he came into the court; he ran away: I cried ſtop thief! I never loſt ſight of him; he was caught in two minutes afterwards, in a court, by two officers belonging to Queen-ſquare office, and brought back to the houſe; the officer and I went up ſtairs; and my cuſhion lay in the window, in a room up two pair of ſtairs.

Court. Did you ſee the priſoner come out of the two pair of ſtairs?—I ſaw him come out of the houſe; the officer had the cuſhion.

ELIZABETH TROTMAN *ſworn.*

I live at No. 14, Baker-ſtreet, next door to the proſecutor: I was ſitting at my window, and I ſaw a man go by with a cuſhion; I believe it to be the priſoner, but I cannot ſwear to him; I informed Mr. Lane of it.

ELIZABETH SHANNAN *ſworn.*

I live in Snow's-rents, Maidenhead-court: I was at my door at work, and a man came by me with a cuſhion; I believe that

that is the man; he went into my two pair of ſtairs room with it; he told me he would give it me; he came in ſoftly; he was very much in liquor: I would not have it; he laid it down in the window, and went down ſtairs, and I did not ſee what happened in the court: the conſtable came up into my room and took the cuſhion away: I ſaw the priſoner at the office in Queen-ſquare: I think the priſoner is the man; I am not poſitive.

Priſoner. Was any body with me at the time?—Another man in a white coat; the priſoner brought the cuſhion; the priſoner belongs to the ſame regiment my huſband does.

Court to Trotman. How many did you ſee paſs your window?—Two; one in a white coat, and the other in a ſoldier's dreſs.

JOHN CRIDLAND *ſworn.*

I am an officer at Queen-ſquare, Weſtminſter: I heard the cry of ſtop thief! and I laid hold of the priſoner; he was in a ſoldier's coat: the people ſaid he had ſtole a cuſhion from Mr. Lane: I took the priſoner to the place where the cuſhion was found, and I have kept the cuſhion ever ſince.

(The cuſhion produced and depoſed to by the proſecutor.)

PRISONER's DEFENCE.

There are many perſons in a red coat; one may be like another.

GUILTY.

Tried by the London Jury before Mr. RECORDER.

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471. EDWARD BENEFIELD was indicted for ſtealing, on the 4th of October, a muſlin handkerchief, value 2s. and a cotton gown, value 2s. the property of Agnes M'Carty.

AGNES M'CARTY *ſworn.*

I live at No. 81, Berwick-ſtreet, Soho: I am a ſervant: I loſt the things from the line in the yard, on Thurſday, the 4th of October, about four o'clock in the afternoon; I ſaw them about that time, and miſſed them directly; I ſaw them after they called out ſtop thief! and I ſaw the priſoner running back into the yard; Hamilton, the conſtable, had the things.

JOHN MACKEY *ſworn.*

I am an apprentice: I ſaw a muſlin handkerchief taken by the priſoner; he unpinned it from off the line; he put it into his breeches, and made off, and the handkerchief was afterwards produced by Hamilton.

—— HAMILTON *ſworn.*

I was conſtable: I ſearched the priſoner and found no handkerchief on him; at the next area I ſaw it lay in a wiſp; I took it up; the gown has never been found.

Priſoner. I know nothing of it.

GUILTY.

Tried by the ſecond Middleſex Jury before Mr. RECORDER.

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472. RICHARD POWELL was indicted for ſtealing, on the 8th of October, eight ſhillings, in monies numbered, the monies of Thomas Lovat, privily from his perſon.

THOMAS LOVAT *ſworn.*

I am a hackney coachman: I loſt eight ſhillings on Monday, the 8th of October, between one and two in the morning; I was waiting at the Piazza Coffee Houſe, and was aſleep in my coach; I was quite ſober; I had been ſitting ſome time, and I felt ſomething go out of my breeches pocket; I jumped up, and the priſoner got out of the coach; I never loſt ſight of him, and purſued him: I charged him with the watch; he was ſearched in the watch-houſe; nothing was found upon him; my breeches were cut. (Produced cut at the bottom of the pocket.)

Mr. Garrow, Priſoner's Counſel. When this man was ſearched there was only three pence

pence found upon him?—I don't know.—Did not you offer to let him go about his buſineſs if he would give you eight ſhillings?—I aſked him for my money again.

THOMAS RYLEY *ſworn.*

I am a watchman in Covent-garden; the proſecutor gave me charge of the priſoner, and I took him to the watch-houſe.

Priſoner. I leave it to my counſel.

The priſoner called five witneſſes who gave him a very good character.

GUILTY, *not privately.*

Tried by the firſt Middleſex Jury before Mr. RECORDER.

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473. MARY THOMAS was indicted for ſtealing, on the 1ſt day of October, twelve leather pocket books, value 30s. a pocket book covered with ſilk, value 2s. twelve claſp knives, value 12s. and ſix pair of ſciſſars, value 6s. the goods of Nicholas Middleton.

NICHOLAS MIDDLETON *ſworn.*

I am a ſtationer; I was ſent for to Bow-ſtreet, to aſcertain the property; I believe them to be mine; they were marked by my wife, but we have ſo many that I cannot poſitively ſwear to them.

JOHN BECK HEATHER *ſworn.*

I am a pawnbroker in Long Acre; I produce five pocket books, the priſoner brought them to pledge on the 10th of October, and aſked me half a guinea on three of them; I ſtopped her, I ſent for an officer and took her to Bow Street; ſhe ſaid ſhe had them from abroad, I ſuſpected they were ſtolen; there was one found in her ſhoe.

CHARLES DAVIS *ſworn.*

I produce eight pocket books, I was ſent to ſearch the priſoner's box; ſhe was a ſervant to the proſecutor, I found them in her box the proſecutor was in the room.

Proſecutor. I ſaw them taken out of the box.

MARGARET MIDDLETON *ſworn.*

The priſoner was left in the ſhop on Tueſday the 9th of October; while Mr. Middleton and his brother drank tea; I can ſwear to two of the books, I believe them all to be mine, I had not ſold either of them; I was not preſent.

Mr. Middleton. I left the girl in the ſhop on that night; the pocket books were in drawers without locks.

Priſoner. I leave it to my Counſel.

She called three witneſſes who gave her a good character.

GUILTY, (Aged 14.)

Tried by the firſt Middleſex Jury before Mr. RECORDER.

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474. JOHN BUSKIN was indicted for ſtealing, on the 27th of October, three iron handled ſifting-ſhovels, value 2s. the property of ——— Johnſton.

(The witneſſes examined ſeparate.)

——— HUSBAND *ſworn.*

I am apprentice to Mr. Johnſton; he is an ironmonger; I never ſaw the priſoner before the robbery; on the 27th of October I packed ſome goods; they are here; I ſent them to Cheſter's key, to go on board the Sandwich hoy; I ſaw the things afterwards at the police office in Hatton Garden.

CHARLES BAILEY *ſworn.*

I received a parcel from the laſt witneſs to take to Cheſter's key; I loſt it at Cheſter's key, in Thames-ſtreet, I went to deliver another parcel, and returned and miſſed it.

WILLIAM MULLINS *ſworn.*

I am a patrol; I was one that ſtopped the priſoner laſt Saturday, in Cow-Croſs; it is in St. Sepulchre's pariſh, in the county of Middleſex; I found the things on the priſoner, between ſeven and eight in the evening, and delivered them to Appleyard; I aſked the priſoner where he was going; he ſaid to No. 20 or 21, on Clerkenwell-green; he ſaid he was employed by a porter; I took him into cuſtody; he ſaid they were frying pans.

THOMAS

THOMAS APPLEYARD *ſworn.*

I received the things from Mullins; I am a conſtable; I have kept them ever ſince.

Huſband depoſes to the goods.

PRISONER's DEFENCE.

I was coming down Thames-ſtreet, and a gentleman ſaid he would give me a ſhilling to take them to No. 21, Clerkenwell-green; I have no friend in the world.

GUILTY.

Tried by the firſt Middleſex Jury before Mr. Juſtice HEATH.

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475. WILLIAM CROKER was indicted for ſtealing, on the 10th October, a man's cloth great coat; value 3l. the property of William Howard, Eſq.

JAMES ELLIOT *ſworn.*

On the 20th of October, in Suffolk Mews, I loſt my maſter's great coat from the coach box; I had ſeen it not three minutes before; I am coachman to Mr. Howard; I ſaw the priſoner drop the coat.

GEORGE PERFECT *ſworn.*

I ſaw the priſoner take the coat off the box, and put it in his apron; I had ſeen him loitering about; I am a breeches maker by trade.

——— AUSTIN *ſworn.*

I ſaw the priſoner drop the coat.

GUILTY, (Aged 39).

Tried by the firſt Middleſex Jury before Mr. Juſtice HEATH.

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476. NATHANY BLEWIS was indicted for ſtealing, on the 7th of October, two ſilver table ſpoons, value 5s. a deſert ſpoon, value 3s. a man's hat, value 3s. and an umbrella, value 2s. the goods of William Loftus, Eſq. and a man's hat, value 1s. the property of Frederick Townſhend, Eſq.

ANTHONY BAKER *ſworn.*

I live with Colonel Loftus, in Harley-ſtreet; on Sunday the 7th of October, between five and ſix, during the time the family were at dinner, the footman, Alexander Grant, was ſent out; Grant not returning, I rang the bell, and he, not anſwering it, I went to know the cauſe; in the paſſage I met the footboy; he informed me that we had been robbed; I went to the ſtreet door, and ſaw ſome people at the public houſe oppoſite; I went over, and ſaw the priſoner and half a dozen people round him; Grant gave me two hats; I returned to the houſe, and the cook told me there had been ſpoons taken out of the kitchen; I returned, and took him into cuſtody; I know the priſoner, he was my maſter's coachman about two months before; I deſired Grant to ſit by him, to ſee that he dropped nothing, and to take care of him till I returned; I was obliged to go back to take away the dinner things; I returned to the publick houſe, and the conſtable ſearched him, and found two ſilver ſpoons in his pocket; I ſaw them taken out; the conſtable has kept them ſince; the ſpoons were on the kitchen dreſſer; I had not ſeen the priſoner that day before.

ALEXANDER GRANT *ſworn.*

I am a ſervant to Colonel Loftus; I was ſent out of the parlour into the drawing-room; on the ſecond or third ſtep of the ſtairs, towards the bottom, I ſaw the ſtick of this umbrella, (produced,) going out at the door; the perſon who had it, ſhut the door; I went and opened it, and looked out, and I ſaw the priſoner turning round the heads of the horſes of a hackney coach; he had been in our kitchen about ten minutes before; I followed him to the coach; the coachman was ſtanding at the door with the handle in his hand; I tapped the coachman on the ſhoulder, thinking he muſt have got the umbrella in the coach; I aſked him what he had there, he ſaid, he did not know; it was ſomething which that man had thrown in; I took out of the coach two hats, and this umbrella; then our butler came; and the priſoner and the coachman ſtood wrangling about the fare; I gave the butler the two hats; and he ordered me with the priſoner into the publick houſe;

and

and I ſtaid with him till the butler came; I did not ſee him ſearched.

JOHN GIRDLER *ſworn.*

I drive a hackney coach; on Sunday, about three o'clock, my coach was ſtanding at Half Moon-ſtreet end, Piccadilly; the priſoner ordered me to go to the watering-houſe on the high-ground, near Bond-ſtreet; he wanted to find the number 89; then he ordered me to the Bull and Mouth, in Hart-ſtreet; from thence to Moorfields; thence to Whitechapel; back again to Moorfields; and then to the Bull and Mouth in Hart-ſtreet; from thence to the Turk's Head in Charlotte-ſtreet; and from thence to the Turk's Head in Harley-ſtreet; there he ſtopped, and told me to get a pint of ale; he went to a gentleman's houſe; I did not ſee him go in, but I ſaw him come out, and he threw in two hats and an umbrella: Grant came and tapped me on the ſhoulder, and aſked what was there? I told him, I did not know; I drew back, and he took the things out; and the priſoner was going to get in and go further; I told him I would not go any further; I did not like his appearance, and demanded my fare.

JOHN PYNER *ſworn.*

I am a conſtable; I took this table ſpoon and this deſert ſpoon out of the priſoner's left-hand ſide pocket.

Baker. Theſe are my maſter's ſpoons; his cypher is on one, and his creſt on the other; they were in the kitchen; I know both the hats very well, and the umbrella.

Priſoner. I was coming up ſtairs, and found the ſpoons on the ſtairs; I was going to fetch a pint of beer for the cook, and I took the hats and umbrella, thinking my fellow ſervant, Grant, would come over and drink a pint of ale; I wiſh to clear up the point; I am not guilty of the crime.

GUILTY. (Aged 29.)

Tried by the firſt Middleſex Jury before Mr. Baron THOMPSON.

477. HENRY WILD was indicted for feloniouſly making an aſſault on William Buſh, in the king's highway, on the 12th day of Auguſt laſt, and putting him in fear, and feloniouſly taking from his perſon, and againſt his will, a canvas bag, value one penny, and eighteen guineas and a half, his property.

(Witneſſes examined ſeparate.)

WILLIAM BUSH, *ſworn.*

I am a huntſman; I lived in Wiltſhire, with Mr. Gore, he is dead, my miſtreſs ſent me to town to look for ſome hounds that were loſt; on Sunday morning, between ten and eleven in the morning, I was going out of the park, through a paſſage into the palace; it was the paſſage that turns up to Pall Mall; there were other people coming along at the time I was robbed; my thumb was in my left hand breeches pocket; it was on ſome part of my purſe, and the priſoner puſhed my hand out of my pocket, and then pulled my purſe out, a yellow canvas purſe; there were eighteeen guineas and a half; I took him on the ſpot, with the property in his hand; I never loſt ſight of him, nor did he get away from me; when I had got hold of him he delivered the purſe to another man; he deſired me to let him looſe, and not get a mob of people about him; he had got his ſhoe off, and he wanted to ſtoop; he pulled it off with his other foot; ſomebody followed and gave him his ſhoe; I took him to Tattarſal's tap room, at Hyde park corner, and ſent for a conſtable; I loſt the money; I never had it again; the priſoner is the man, I am ſure; I had been in the park walking.

Mr. Garrow, priſoner's counſel. Did you ever ſay before the juſtice any thing of his having the purſe in his hand and giving it to another?—I ſaw it in his hand.

Did you drink any thing with the priſoner?—No.

Did you ever tell this man if he would give you ſome of the money you would let him go?—No, Sir, never.

Did you never talk of the reward in the coach, going to gaol?—No, not that I remember.

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Do not you know there is a reward of 40l. if this man is convicted?—I have heard people talking of it, but I do not know any thing of it.

Upon your oath, did not you have some converſation with the conſtable relative to the reward?—Not to my recollection.

JONH TOWNLY *ſworn.*

I am a conſtable; I was ſent for on Sunday the 12th of Auguſt, to Tattarſall's; I went and found the priſoner in the cuſtody of Buſh; the charge was that he had robbed him of eighteen guineas and a half; he ſaid he picked his pocket in the paſſage of the palace, by the chapel; he ſaid that he was huſtled and that his thumb was on his purſe in his pocket; that the man who picked his pocket threw it away, and another man took it; the proſecutor and another man went with me in the coach to bridewell.

Mr. Garrow. Had you any converſation with the proſecutor, at any time, reſpecting the reward?—Not at all to my recollection.

PRISONER's DEFENCE.

I am totally innocent.

The priſoner called two witneſſes, who gave him a good character.

GUILTY, Death.

Tried by the firſt Middleſex Jury before Mr. RECORDER.

Jury. We wiſh to recommend him to mercy.

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478. ISAAC BALL was indicted for ſtealing, on the 22d of October, a pair of velveteen breeches, value 5s. two linen ſhirts, value 14s. and two dimity waiſtcoats, value 4s. the property of John Norwood.

JOHN NORWOOD *ſworn.*

I am a coachman to Mrs. Gibſon, in Hertford-ſtreet, May-fair; I loſt the things mentioned in the indictment; I went out of town and returned the 2d of October; when I came to town the things were miſſing; I had left them in a box locked up at the Cheſterfield arms; ſome of the things were found at the pawnbroker's.

MARY GARD *ſworn.*

The priſoner lodged in the ſame houſe with me; I waſh for him; he aſked me to waſh theſe two ſhirts; I did not waſh them; then he aſked me to pawn them; I put frills on them, and pawned them at Mr. Moore's.

SUSANNAH BERRY *ſworn.*

My huſband is a brewer's ſervant; I pawned a pair of breeches for the priſoner about five weeks ago, for five ſhillings; I have known the priſoner ſome years.

THOMAS WATKINS *ſworn.*

I am a pawnbroker; I produce two ſhirts. (Produced).

Mary Gard. I bought a waiſtcoat of him for half a crown; this is it.

JOHN BAKER *ſworn.*

I found the other waiſtcoat in Ball's room, and a very large bunch of keys fit for a bureau; I am a patrol.

Norwood. Theſe ſhirts are mine; when I loſt them they had no frills; I know the waiſtcoats, they are mine; I left my two boxes in the club-room, I loſt things out of one box only.

PRISONER's

PRISONER's DEFENCE.

I bought the two ſhirts of James Point; Mrs. Gard bought two ſhirts at the ſame time; Mrs. Berry bought a waiſtcoat and breeches; I never ſaw the Cheſterfield arms, nor do I know where it is.

Gard. I bought the waiſtcoat of Iſaac Ball.

Berry. I bought the breeches of Iſaac Ball.

GUILTY.

Tried by the ſecond Middleſex Jury before Mr. RECORDER.

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479. PHILLIP DAVIS was indicted for feloniouſly aſſaulting Edward Peterſon on the king's highway, on the 15th of September, and putting him in fear, and feloniouſly taking from his perſon, and againſt his will, one guinea and a half, his monies.

(The caſe opened by Mr. Knowlys.)

EDWARD PETERSON *ſworn.*

I live at No. 151, in Fenchurch-ſtreet: I am in the commiſſion-line, ſelling hardware: I lodge at No. 10, Great Bell-alley; I am a married man, and have four children; my family are in the country: on the 15th of September I was returning from the Haymarket to the city; juſt as I was coming into Cheapſide I obſerved the priſoner by my ſide, who was looking earneſtly at me; he followed me; I went to the Saracen's Head, in Friday-ſtreet, to call on a friend on buſineſs; the priſoner paſſed the gate; I did not find my friend, nor was any one in the ſtreet; there is a church in Friday-ſtreet; I ſtopped to make water; the priſoner came up and ſtood in the ſame poſition; as ſoon as I had done he came up to me and took hold of my arm, and put the other forcibly in my breeches, on my private parts; he immediately ſaid what compliment do you mean to make me; I was much ſurpriſed; but I looked at him, and I aſked him who he was, and what he wanted; he ſaid he was a diſtreſſed man, and muſt have two guineas, and I was a gentleman that could give it him; if not he would charge me with behaving in an indecent and unnatural manner, and would raiſe a mob about me, and he would ſoon *do* me; he followed me and behaved in a very indecent manner, and made uſe of very abuſive language, pulling me by the arm, and ſaid he would not leave me till he had ſomething from me; he made uſe of very abuſive language, calling me b—r, and thoſe names, and would not leave me till he had got money from me; I was very much alarmed; I went down King-ſtreet and Cateaton-ſtreet, into Coleman-ſtreet; the priſoner ſtill kept at my elbow all the way, attempting ſeveral times to take hold of my arm; when I came into Coleman-ſtreet I conſidered I had ſome friends there, that if the man ſhould follow me in, ſome might think me wrong and the others might think me right, therefore I was determined to walk on to try to get rid of him; then I went to London Wall, through the church yard, and in that part the priſoner ſaid he would have money before I went any further; I told him I had only half-a-crown; he then inſiſted he would rifle my pockets; he put his hands into my waiſtcoat pocket, and attempted to put them into my breeches pocket, which I would not ſuffer; my alarm encreaſed; I went into Biſhopſgate-ſtreet; he was more troubleſome and louder, and ſaid he would go no further; he ſaid if I did comply, and give him a guinea and a half, he would leave me immediately, and I ſhould never ſee him again; I there conſidered that I had every thing at ſtake, and perhaps my life; if he had accomplices with him, and if not, my character, which was as dear to me as my life; my family's happineſs was at ſtake, and every thing I held dear; I told him that if he would walk quietly along I would give him a guinea and a half, if that would relieve his diſtreſs, but it was only under this conſideration, that if he attacked me in the ſtreet the mob would not think as they ought to think, and that my character might ſuffer; for that, and that only, I promiſed him; I then immediately

immediately went to the Butler's Head; I had not a guinea and a half about me; I had half a guinea and half-a-crown; I aſked the landlord, James Baldwin, to lend me a guinea, and deſired the priſoner to ſtop at the Butler's Head, and I would give him a guinea and a half as I promiſed; he did not ſtay at the door, he followed me in; he came into the tap room; I borrowed a guinea and gave him a guinea and a half, and he ſeemed ſatisfied and went away; none of my friends were there at that time; I went into the room and drank one glaſs of brandy and water; ſit down, I could not, I walked up and down the room; in about half an hour he came to the door of the room where I was and enquired for me, but not by name; he beckened me out of the room, and I went out to him, and he ſaid he had a friend there that wanted to ſpeak to me; I found, as he ſaid, that there was a perſon with him; it was juſt outſide the door; ſays he I am ſorry for what I have done; I have a friend here that wants to ſpeak to you; I ſaid go along like a couple of raſcals as you are; I have nothing to do with you; the man that was with him ſpoke ſomething in a voice hardly manly; I could not diſtinguiſh it; when I went home the priſoner ſtood near the door of the court waiting for me; he then ſaid I only ſtopped to tell you never to mind the fellow that came with me, for he is a d——d raſcal; and if you ſee any thing of him charge the watch with him; I walked to my lodgings and made no anſwer to him; when I rang the bell he ſaid I know you Mr. Peters; my name, in point of fact, is Peterſon; I wondered how he came to know ſo near my name; the next morning I went to Mr. Baldwin, and took him up ſtairs, and his own lad, recollecting the lad, was putting up the ſhutters at the time I went out to ſpeak to this man; I told it to Mr. Baldwin firſt, he is the maſter of the houſe; I told him all then why I had borrowed the guinea; I told him exactly what happened, and if the fellow came there to let me ſee him; I told it to Mr. Waldron, who came into breakfaſt; I related it to Mr. Collier; he is here alſo; my friends adviſed me to be there again on the Sunday evening: we all went into the country to dinner, as we had engaged in the middle of the week; at nine me and my friends met there; about half an hour after the priſoner came to the door of the room, as he had done the night before; the maſter of the houſe was in the room, and the priſoner ſaid he w- ed to ſpeak to Mr. Peters, Mr. Baldwin ſaid there was no ſuch one there; I ſaw him at the door; and I ſaid to my friend there is the ſcoundrel who accoſted me laſt night; I then ſaid to Mr. Baldwin deſire him to walk in; he ſaid he could not, he wanted to ſpeak to me in private; I went to the middle of the room and deſired him to come in, that I did not want to ſee him any more in private; that my friends were there, and I wanted to know what he meant by his demand; I propoſed to go up ſtairs; he ſeemed averſe, and ſtill ſaid he wanted to ſpeak with me in private; I inſiſted upon it he ſhould go up ſtairs, and one of my friends laid hold of my arm and took him up; I then deſired he would explain his conduct on the evening before; one of my friends ſaid there wants no explanation; ſend for a conſtable directly, and ſend him to the Compter; the priſoner then put his hand in his pocket and pulled out a guinea and half a crown, and a ſhilling, and ſaid it was all the money he had left, and begged for God's ſake that I would excuſe him, and take that and make it up; my friend, Mr. Collier, then ſaid, you ſcoundrel down on your knees and anſwer me any queſtion I ſhall put to you; he immediately dropped on his knees, and Mr. Collier aſked him did Mr. Peterſon behave in any indecent manner whatever to you that ſhould give you cauſe to accuſe him of any thing; he immediately clapped his hands together and ſaid, in the preſence of God, it was only diſtreſs that cauſed him to do it; I ſent for a conſtable; Mr. Collier ſaid to me, I aſk you in addition to that, on the ſolemn oath you ſhall take, did you offer the leaſt indecency, or give him the ſmalleſt reaſon to ſuppoſe you was a man

a man of that deteſtable character? I ſaid not the leaſt; I never ſaw him before in my life, to the beſt of my knowledge; on Monday he was taken before the Lord Mayor.

Would you have parted with this money if it had not been through fear?—I am not ſubject to fear; if he had ſtopped me on the highway I ſhould not have thought any thing of it; but to attack my character!

Priſoner. Did not you come paſt me three or four times and look in my face? he ſays never mind, you are not a native of England; what countryman are you? I ſaid of Holland; I ſaid I am going to Holland next Monday; he ſaid what kind of country is that; he aſked me many queſtions; he aſked me to have ſome Burton and a bowl of bunch.—Not a word of the ſort.

Priſoner. He ſaid you are rather low ſpirited, is there any thing in my power that I can ſerve you?—Never a word paſſed between us but what I have related.

Priſoner. Then he laid hold of my arm, as we were walking along.—By no means, he attempted ſeveral times to take hold of my arm.

Priſoner. He ſaid I ſhould not be afraid of him, he was a true Engliſhman and could afford to ſpend a thouſand guineas.—I, thinking the man was drunk, ſaid I wiſh you good night, Sir.

Priſoner. When you gave me the guinea and a half, did not you appoint me to call upon you on Monday?—By no means; before the Lord Mayor he ſaid it was Sunday, but that was falſe.

JAMES BALDWIN *ſworn.*

I keep the Butler's Head; on the 15th of September the proſecutor came into my houſe followed by the priſoner; I think it was him; he went out and came back again; and he aſked me to borrow a guinea; I lent him one, and he went out; he ſeemed very much frightened; on the Sunday morning he told me the ſtory, and in the evening the proſecutor, Mr. Waldron, and Mr. Collier came in, and afterwards the priſoner came to the door; I aſked him who he wanted, he ſaid Mr. Peters; I ſaid there was no ſuch perſon there; he ſaid that is the gentleman, I want to ſpeak to him in private; I propoſed taking him up ſtairs; then he began to beg for mercy; he pulled out a guinea, half a crown, and a ſhilling; chucked them on the table and ſaid he was ſorry; Mr Collier ſaid, down on your knees and ſay if Mr. Peterſon has offered any thing indecent to you; and he ſaid no, it was diſtreſs; when the priſoner was taken before the Lord Mayor he called me on one ſide, and begged I would do my endeavour to ſpeak to Mr. Peterſon to forgive him, and he would immediately go into his own country.

JAMES COLLIER *ſworn.*

I lodge at the Saracen's Head, Friday-ſtreet; I am not at preſent in any buſineſs; I was preſent on Sunday evening, not exactly at the expreſs deſire of Mr. Stephenſon; the ſituation I ſtood in precluded me from ſeeing the priſoner as he came in at the door; but Peterſon ſaid to me, that is the raſcal that inſulted me laſt night; I ſaw the priſoner; the man at the houſe propoſed taking him up ſtairs; the priſoner ſaid he wanted to ſpeak to Mr. Peterſon in private; I ſaid, he had the night before, and now muſt ſpeak in publick; he put his hand into his pocket and took out one guinea and half a crown, and ſaid, it was all his money; he would give it to make it up with the proſecutor; I deſired him to go on his knees, and declare to me whether Mr. Peterſon had made any ſuch attack upon him the preceding night; he proteſted to me in a ſolemn manner, with his hands up, that he had not: when the conſtable came in, he came round a little table in the room and demanded the money; the man ſaid he ſhould not have it; then he ſaid to Mr. Peterſon, he knew what he had earned the money for, and it was his; I would not go near the raſcal.

JOHN WALDRON *ſworn.*

Depoſed to the ſame effect: he fell on his knees, and ſaid, in the moſt ſolemn

manner, he appealed to God that Mr. Peterſon did not behave in an improper or indecent manner to him; but that diſtreſs, and diſtreſs alone, led him to it.

JOHN RANNS *ſworn.*

I am the waiter at the Butler's Head; I recollect the priſoner; he came to me about eleven on Saturday night as I was ſhutting up my maſter's ſhutters, he aſked me whether I knew who that perſon was that went in, I told him Mr. Peterſon.

Priſoner to proſecutor. When I came into the room, did not you take hold of my ring, and ſay, you d——d raſcal this is my ring?—When he came into the room, I obſerved he had a ring on his finger; I ſaid you cannot be a man in much diſtreſs to have a ring, let me look at it.

Priſoner. My Lord, my life is in your hands; how came this Mr. Peterſon to be in bodily fear, if innocent? and take me to his home, where there were twenty or thirty people, and lend me a guinea and a half; why did he not take me then; he ſaid, I am a gentleman, there, take this; I ſaid I was going to Holland on Monday; he ſaid call on me on Monday; I came back to tell him I could not call on him on Monday, but would call on Sunday night; he ſaid, keep the money, my good fellow, you are welcome to it as long as you come from Holland; on Sunday evening I went there, having a guinea and half a crown and a ſhilling in my pocket; I ſaid I came here to return him a guinea, and I will leave him any thing, and my direction, till I come from Holland to pay him the reſt.

The priſoner called one witneſs to his character.

GUILTY, Death.

Tried by the London Jury before Mr. Juſtice HEATH.

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480. THOMAS RADLEY was indicted for feloniouſly aſſaulting, on the king's highway, Mary Ann, the wife of George Thelluſſon, Eſq. and putting her in fear, and feloniouſly taking from her perſon, and againſt her will, a gold enamelled watch, with a diamond on the pendant, value 30l. a leather purſe, value one penny, and one guinea and two ſhillings, the property of George Thelluſſon, Eſq.

(The caſe opened by Mr. Garrow.)

MARY ANN THELLUSSON *ſworn.*

I was going from my own houſe at Totteridge, into Hertfordſhire; I did not ſee the highwayman till he came cloſe to the carriage; he had a crape over his face, and a piſtol in his hand; I deſired him to take away his piſtol, he did ſo; he aſked for my money, I told him I had very little; I ſaid I had a watch; he ſaid I do not want that; I gave him a red leather purſe which had a guinea and two ſhillings in it; ſeeing him ſtop after that, I aſked him what he wanted; he ſaid give me your watch; he deſired me not to be frightened, and put the piſtol in his pocket when I deſired him; I was very much alarmed, but he certainly behaved very well.

STEPHEN GOODALL *ſworn.*

I am coachman to Mr. Thelluſſon; I was driving the carriage; I had met the man at the bar about ten minutes before he ſtopt the carriage, then he came up and called to me to ſtop; I thought he wanted to paſs me; I knew him to be the man I had ſeen before; I obſerved him very particularly when he came up; he put a crape over his face; I had obſerved his face and perſon; he had a light-coloured great coat on; there was a tear in his great coat, which had been mended.

CHRISTOPHER CREEDLAND *ſworn.*

I am an officer of Bow-ſtreet; I apprehended the priſoner on the 18th of September, in Drury Lane; I found this crape on him; his hair was looſe; Mr. Hughes, took

took ſome duplicates, and powder and ball from him.

STEPHEN LAVENDER *ſworn.*

I took this purſe from Mary Ann Fowles.

JOHN BECK HEATHER *ſworn.*

I am a pawnbroker; on Monday the 17th of September, Mary Ann Fowles brought me a brilliant to ſell; I aſked her where ſhe got it, ſhe ſaid ſhe found it in Broad St. Giles's; I went to Bow-ſtreet, and an officer came and ſecured her.

MARY ANN FOWLES *ſworn.*

I offered a brilliant to ſale to Mr. Heather; I found that diamond in Broad St. Giles's; I received a red leather pocket book from a gentleman in Ireland; I left Ireland about a year and a half ago. (The pocket book produced). I know nothing of this; it is not mine; I had not that purſe of the priſoner at the bar; I never ſaid at the office that I had the diamond of the priſoner at the bar. (The priſoner's great coat produced).

Mrs. Thelluſon. This purſe I verily believe to be mine; I bought it in the city.

Priſoner. I leave it to my counſel.

BURNET ISAACS *ſworn.*

Radley lodged in my houſe nine months; I underſtood him to be a hackney writer; during that time Fowles lived with him.

JOHN M'DONALD *ſworn.*

I am a taylor; the priſoner lodged upwards of five months with me, and behaved exceedingly honeſt.

MICHAEL DONAHUGH *ſworn.*

I always thought him a good character.

Two other witneſſes gave him a good character.

GUILTY, **Death.**

Tried by the ſecond Middleſex Jury before Lord KENYON.

Recommended to mercy by Mr. Thelluſſon.

EDWARD HUGHES *ſworn.*

I was preſent when Mary Ann Fowles was examined; and ſhe ſaid ſhe had the purſe from that fellow, and the magiſtrate told her to point him out, and ſhe touched him.

Mary Ann Fowles was indicted to take her trial for perjury.

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481. ANN TURNER was indicted for ſtealing, on the 16th of September, two wooden bobbins, value 2d. and ſixteen ounces of raw ſilk, value 5s. the property of Job Allen.

JOB ALLEN *ſworn.*

I am a weaver; on the 16th of September I loſt two bobbins of ſilk; it was dyed, it was not raw ſilk, it was upon the bobbins; it was loſt from the ſecond floor; the priſoner is a ſtranger to me, I ſaw her there, I thought ſhe was a bad woman; and when ſhe went down I miſſed the ſilk and followed her, I took her and found the ſilk upon her; I am ſure they are mine by the mark, which is J. A. ſhe had them in her pocket, and ſaid ſhe had taken them; it was on the ſabbath day, between three and four in the afternoon.

THOMAS SHEEN *ſworn.*

I ſaw her deliver the property to the man; ſhe took it out of her pocket.

Priſoner. I know nothing of it.

GUILTY, ſtealing to the amount of 2d.

Tried by the firſt Middleſex Jury before Mr. RECORDER.

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482. JAMES FIELD and CHARLES BURN were indicted for breaking the dwelling

dwelling houſe of John Dutton, and ſtealing divers things his property.

JAMES FIELD, NOT GUILTY.
CHARLES BURN GUILTY, 10d.

Tried by the firſt Middleſex Jury before Mr. RECORDER.

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483. SARAH NEWTON was indicted for ſtealing, on the 10th of Auguſt laſt, two yards and a half of printed cotton cloth, value 5s. four yards of printed cotton for bordering, value 4s. and four chair covers, value 4s. the goods of Lady Ann Lindſay.

And JOSEPH GOWER was indicted for receiving the ſame, knowing them to be ſtolen.

LADY ANN LINDSAY *ſworn.*

I know the priſoners, Gower was my ſervant a year and a half ago, Sarah Newton continued with me till the 29th of September; I miſſed all the articles in the indictment, and many more; I cannot ſay the day; Sarah Gower, the female priſoner's name is, ſhe was married on the 23d of Auguſt to the priſoner; theſe articles were in a parlour, in order to be made up; I miſſed ſome on the 10th of October, and others at various periods; (the things produced); theſe are part of the property loſt.

THOMAS CARPMEAL *ſworn.*

I am an officer of Bow-ſtreet; I had a ſearch warrant to ſearch the woman's lodgings in Little Titchfield-ſtreet; I found theſe things there; ſhe was not at home; I ſecured the priſoners on the 7th of October, at the houſe of the ſiſter; the man was in the parlour, and the woman was hid behind the counter.

JOHN PLIMMER *ſworn.*

I am a ſhoemaker; the priſoner came from Lady Ann Lindſay's to lodge at my houſe; he lodged eight weeks with me; he came firſt, and ſhe ſome time afterwards; I was preſent when Carpmeal ſearched the room, it was their lodging; the door was locked; the man got work with a painter, and went very regularly; I know no harm of her.

ANN HOOPER *ſworn.*

The priſoners lived with Lady Ann Lindſay; I was preſent with Carpmeal when the ſearch was made; I ſaw the things found; I was not preſent when the cotton and chair covers were found.

Sarah Newton. I kept my clothes in a drawer in which my lady kept ſome clothes; I had no notice to quit my lady's ſervice.

Lady Ann Lindſay. She had notice three months; I gave perſonal notice.

SARAH NEWTON, GUILTY.
JOSEPH GOWER, NOT GUILTY.

Tried by the ſecond Middleſex Jury before Lord KENYON.

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484. SARAH GOWER was again indicted for ſtealing a cotton counterpane, value 12s. and ſome printed bound books, the goods of Lady Margaret Janet Fordyce; and a written bound book, value 12d. the goods of the ſaid Lady Margaret Janet Fordyce and Lady Ann Lindſay.

And JOSEPH GOWER was indicted for receiving the ſame knowing them to be ſtolen.

LADY ANN LINDSAY *ſworn.*

Theſe things were loſt at various periods; (produced.)

LADY MARGARET FORDYCE *ſworn.*

This counterpane is mine, and ſo are the books.

Sarah Gower. I wiſh to ſee the books, (handed to the priſoner.); theſe books were left in the houſemaid's box in my care, how ſhe came by them I do not know.

THOMAS

THOMAS CARPMEAL *ſworn.*

I ſearched the apartments and found theſe things.

JOHN PLAINNER *ſworn.*

Theſe people lodged in my houſe.

SARAH GOWER, GUILTY.
JOSEPH GOWER, NOT GUILTY.

Tried by the ſecond Middleſex Jury before Lord KENYON.

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485. JOHN ORANGE, ISAAC ORANGE, and RICHARD CAMPBELL were indicted for ſtealing, on the 28th of September, a cloth great coat, value 5s. and other articles of wearing apparel, the goods of John Daley, in his dwelling-houſe.

JOHN DALEY *ſworn.*

I live in St. Thomas's-ſtreet, Bethnal-green; I rent half the houſe; I am a weaver; I did not know the priſoners before they were taken up.

ANN DALEY *ſworn.*

I am wife of the laſt witneſs; the property was in a lower room; I ſaw it between one and two at noon on the 28th of September laſt; the door was locked; I had the key in my pocket; my huſband and me were up ſtairs, when I came down I ſaw the ſtreet door and the room door both open; I miſſed the property; part of it is in court.

JOHN DISERT *ſworn.*

I am a weaver; I was looking out of a window, I ſaw two men look into the window, and they paſſed that door and the next, and came back and opened the door and went in; I ſaw them come out two or three minutes after; I cannot ſpeak to the men; the ſecond that came out had a brown bundle under his arm.

HANNAH BASS *ſworn.*

I am a ſilk winder; I live in Spicer-ſtreet; I was looking out of the window, I ſaw Iſaac Orange come through Ram-Alley, that is facing where I live, and about three or four ſtreets diſtance from Daly's houſe, it is the road from Daly's houſe, he ſtood at the corner of the alley about five minutes; ſoon after his brother came with a bundle under his right arm; they turned down Hunt-ſtreet; Campbell followed, and went after them up Hunt-ſtreet; I have known them four or five years.

MARY BRACKNELL *ſworn.*

I ſaw Iſaac Orange come to the corner of Ram-alley; I remember Daly's houſe being robbed; it was about half paſt three o'clock; he came down the alley, which is in the road from Daly's houſe; John Orange came with a bundle; he was walking faſt; it was a ſmall bundle; Campbell followed them, he was about ten yards diſtance; I ſaw them afterwards altogether in the neighbourhood. (The conſtable produced the goods).

JOHN ARMSTRONG *ſworn.*

I went with Harper and Ferris, and ſearched a houſe in Spicer-ſtreet, and found Campbell and John Orange; I found part of a black ſtocking, the foot was cut off and the ſeam at top; we left them in cuſtody of Ferris, and went to Dunk-ſtreet, and a woman opened the door, and we found Iſaac Orange; and under the bed was a ſhirt and this apron; I found this key, (*an open warded key*;) he ſaid it was the key of his door, but it was not.

ELEANOR MITCHELL *ſworn.*

I let a room to the priſoner Iſaac's wife; I know nothing more.

NATHANIEL REYNOLDS *ſworn.*

I keep a publick houſe; on the 28th of September the priſoners were drinking in

my houſe, they went in and out of my houſe frequently.

Proſecutrix. Theſe articles are all my property.

John Orange. I never ſaw the property; and know nothing about it.

Iſaac Orange. I was drinking in Mr. Reynolds's houſe, and a man ſaid he would help me to work; he hand a bundle, and I lent him a ſhilling, and they took me up.

Priſoner Campbell. I know nothing of it.

JOHN ORANGE, ISAAC ORANGE, } GUILTY 5s.

RICHARD CAMPBELL, NOT GUITY.

Tried by the ſecond Middleſex Jury before Mr. Juſtice HEATH.

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486. JOHN STANLEY was indicted for feloniouſly ſtealing, on the 23d day of October, one wainſcot pillar and claw table, value 3s. a wire ſieve, value 1s. and a garden pot, value 3d. the goods of Thomas Haycock; and an iron ſpade, value 2s. the goods of Timothy Hobbs,

A ſecond count, for ſtealing on the 24th day of October, a piece of ſail cloth, value 6s. 6d. the goods of Thomas Haycock.

THOMAS HAYCOCK *ſworn.*

I keep the white Raven public-houſe, at mile end; on the 23d of October I was working in my garden, I left my tools when I had done work in a ſhed; on Wedneſday I went to the garden, between ſix and ſeven, I ſaw a place broke open between another garden and mine, then I thought I was robbed; I miſſed a ſhovel, a watering pot, a wire ſieve, a table which ſtood in a drinking place; the things were all ſafe on Tueſday night; on Wedneſday morning I went up into the ſummer houſe to look at ſome India pink ſeed, which I had left to dry, and ſaw the ſail cloth then ſafe; on Thurſday morning I found the ſame door open that had been broke open before; I had ſecured the door with an iron pin; it was broke away on Thurſday night; I watched, I had not been there ten minutes when I ſaw a man on Hobbs's wall, about twenty yards from the gate; I went and procured ſome neighbours, and ſurrounded the garden, and me and another went into the field the way that he had come; I ſaw him jump into the garden, I followed him the ſame way, I ſearched the garden, I ſaw a perſon go over the wall into the ſtreet; I had information that they were gone to the London hoſpital; I was making after him, and I met ſomebody with the priſoner, in cuſtody, that was Mr. Auſtin and the patrol; I brought him to my houſe; he had a baſket, a chiſſel, a pair of pincers, and a piece of canvas; we found nobody elſe; we took the priſoner to the office; he told us he lived at No. 4, Wilmot's Grove, Bethnel Green; the officer, and I and Hobbs went to his lodgings; Naſh is the officer, his wife opened the door; ſhe was frightened on the officer's aſking her ſome queſtions; we found the ſhovel in an out-houſe, we found nothing elſe, but went back to the office, and took the ſhovel with us; I went with the officer and priſoner to an iron-ſhop oppoſite Shoreditch Church, there I ſaw the canvas lay open upon the flag ſtones, in the front of the ſhop, expoſed to ſale; I found the ſieve, the round table, and the watering pot at the ſame place.

JOSEPH NASH *ſworn.*

I am an officer in Whitechapel; I went with the laſt witneſs to the houſe of the priſoner after the priſoner was apprehended; I was preſent when the ſhovel was found, and then I went back to the office; the priſoner did not confeſs to me, but to another officer who is not here; I went afterwards to the houſe of Mr. Snelſon; Mr. Haycock told him if he would confeſs where the property was it would be better for him.

——— NELSON *ſworn.*

I keep a broker's ſhop; on Wedneſday the 24th of October, between nine and ten in the morning, the priſoner brought me to ſell a wire

wire ſieve, a garden pot, and a round wainſcoat table; I gave him 5s. for the whole; he ſaid they were his own property; he ſaid he was much reduced in his property, and that was the cauſe of his ſelling them; on Thurſday morning, between ten and eleven he brought this piece of canvas to ſell; he ſaid he was a gardener, and kept it to cover the beds in the garden for uſe; I gave him 6s. 6d. for it; the things were delivered to Haycock. (The things produced and depoſed to).

Priſoner. They ſaid if I confeſſed it would be better for me.

The priſoner called three witneſſes, who gave him a good character.

GUILTY. (Aged 47.)

Tried by the ſecond Middleſex Jury before Mr. Baron THOMPSON.

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487. OWEN SCOTNEY was indicted for ſtealing, on the 13th of October, one linen pillow caſe, value 1s. one child's dimity petticoat, value 6d. the property of William Stephenſon, a pair of velveteen breeches, value 6s. a ſilk handkerchief, value 1s. a pair of worſted ſtocking, value 1s. the property of William Smith, and a linen ſhirt, value 2s. the property of John Anderſon.

WILLIAM STEPHENSON *ſworn.*

I am a publican; I live in Tottenham Court Road; I loſt a child's dimity petticoat and pillow-caſe out of my own club room, about half paſt ten at night, I found them in the priſoner's pocket directly, up one pair higher, in the room where he lodged; he ſaid they were in a bundle in his room.

——— WIGHTMAN *ſworn.*

I am a conſtable; I took theſe things out of the room; I received them from the proſecutor; I have had them ever ſince. (Produced and depoſed to).

Priſoner. The bundle was on the table, and I expected a bundle; the things were not in my pocket.

GUILTY.

Tried by the ſecond Middleſex Jury before Mr. Juſtice HEATH.

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488. ALEXANDER RIGLEY was indicted for ſtealing, on the 18th of October laſt, two blocks, with iron hoops, value 1s. and four fathom of rope, value 2s. the property of John Perry, Eſq. and Philip Perry.

——— DAL'TON *ſworn.*

I am foreman to Meſſ. John and Philip Perry, ſhip-builders; I know of no other partners; I am a watchman in dock; I took the priſoner with a ſack on his ſhoulder, he came from the other ſide of the yard; he came in through the yard gate, it was open, I ſaw him, but he did not ſee me; I ſtood cloſe by the gate; I ſtopped him and aſked him where he was going with that tackle, it was open on his ſhoulders; he made me no anſwer; I threatened him to tell an officer, and I took him to the watch-houſe, and the tackle with him. (The rope produced and depoſed to.)

GUILTY.

Tried by the ſecond Middleſex Jury before Mr. Baron THOMPSON.

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489. ROBERT PRICE was indicted for ſtealing, on the 9th of October laſt, a wooden drawer called a money till, value 6d. an iron key, value 1d. 73 halfpence and 59 farthings, value 3s. 6d. the property of Ann Ruſſell.

ANN RUSSELL *ſworn.*

I live in South-ſtreet, Manchester-ſquare, I keep a chandler's ſhop; I loſt my money in the till, mentioned in the indictment, on the 9th of laſt month; at half paſt eight in the morning, the priſoner came in and took it; I ſaw him go out, nobody was in the ſhop;

ſhop; I called out ſtop thief! immediately, and he was ſtopped; I ſaw him ſet down the till at a diſtance from the door, that was on my calling out; he was brought back by a life-guardſman.

JOHN COOPER *ſworn.*

I apprehended the priſoner; there was a cry of ſtop thief!

Priſoner. I was not nigh the houſe.

GUILTY, (Aged 17).

Tried by the ſecond Middleſex Jury before Lord KENYON.

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490. GEORGE MASON was indicted for ſtealing, on the 21ſt of September, one woollen blanket, value 4s. a linen bed quilt, value 1s. two linen ſheets, value 5s. the property of John M'Donald.

Mrs. M'DONALD *ſworn.*

The priſoner was a lodger of ours twice, about three months in the whole; I let him a bed but not a room; I miſſed the things in the indictment; I ſaw them at the office; I had not ſeen them for ſix weeks before; my daughter made the bed.

WILLIAM MANLEY *ſworn.*

I am a pawnbroker; I produce a pair of ſheets, a quilt, and a blanket, which, on the 21ſt of September, I took from the priſoner; he ſaid he was the ſon of Mrs. Taylor, of Whitechapel; I am ſure of the boy; I never ſaw him before. (Produced and depoſed to.)

PRISONER's DEFENCE.

The proſecutor keeps a common lodging houſe, and the very night before, his wife came up, or his daughter leaſt-wiſe, threatening to turn me out of the bed; we pay every night; being out of work, I was almoſt ſtarving, and I took the ſheets, and I pawned them with that gentleman.

GUILLY.

Tried by the ſecond Middleſex Jury before Mr. Juſtice HEATH.

491. GEORGE KELTING and JOB POWELL were indicted for ſtealing, on the 6th of October laſt, two dimity waiſtcoats, value 3s. five linen ſhirts, value 20s. and a muſlin apron, value 12d. the property of George Hardiman.

GEORGE HARDIMAN *ſworn.*

I loſt the things in the indictment, on the 6th of October; they were hung out to dry; the yard is open to the fields, only walled in.

WILLIAM DEAN *ſworn.*

I am a brick-maker; on the 6th of October about one, going to dinner, I ſaw Job Powell walk about near the yard, about twenty yards off; nobody was with him then; I ſaw George Kelting come out of an unfiniſhed yard next to the proſecutor's.

JOSEPH WIGHTMAN *ſworn.*

I am conſtable of the pariſh of St. Pancras; on the Monday after the robbery I went, in conſequence of an information, and took the priſoners in cuſtody; I ſearched them and found two duplicates, one upon each priſoner; this for a waiſtcoat on Kelting, and this for another waiſtcoat on Powell, pawned for 1s.

JOHN BROWN *ſworn.*

I am a pawnbroker; I took in a waiſtcoat, but cannot ſwear to either of the priſoners; it anſwers to the duplicate found on Kelting. (Depoſed to).

Another PAWNBROKER *ſworn.*

I took this waiſtcoat of Powell. (Depoſed to.)

GEORGE KELTING, JOB POWELL, } GUILTY.

Tried by the ſecond Middleſex Jury before Lord KENYON.

Lord Kenyon. I wiſh thoſe pawnbrokers would bear in mind that they go on extreme ſlippery ground; it is expected that they take in nothing to pawn but from perſons whom

whom they know, or who come recommended; I do not know how a jury would deal with ſuch pawnbrokers if they were to be indicted for receiving ſtolen goods; it would be for the good ſenſe and diſcretion of a jury; I ſhould be very much inclined to think they would be convicted; it would be better for the public if the whole trade was aboliſhed; it is high time for the legiſlature to beſtir themſelves, and do ſomething in it.

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492. ROBERT EVANS was indicted for ſtealing, on the 15th of October laſt, 100lb. weight of lead, belonging to Richard Mortimer, and affixed to a barn of his, againſt the ſtatute.

RICHARD MORTIMER *ſworn.*

I am a cow keeper; I loſt ſome lead from a gutter adjoining the dwelling, and the barn was adjoining to that, it was affixed to the barn, it is my barn but not my houſe, it was Mr. Ring's houſe.

JOHN CLARKE *ſworn.*

I am a ſervant to the proſecutor Mortimer; I ſaw the lead ſome days before; the 14th of October I went to the barn to bind a load of hay, the doors of the barn were broke open, and I obſerved about half the gutter was cut off and laid on the mow, none of it was taken away; while I was on the hay, I heard a ruſtling between the wall and the hay, and I ſaw the priſoner in the barn; I aſked him what he did there, and he ſaid he did not know; I got down from the mow immediately, and he broke a hole through the barn; the door was locked, but a plank was broke off it; he ran away; he was taken in Hampſtead road; I ſaw the lead fitted.

——— BATEMAN *ſworn.*

I keep a publick houſe near this barn, when I came to the barn I ſaw the priſoner and a place broken; I followed and took the priſoner; about ten feet of the gutter was taken away, I immediately compared it and it exactly correſponded, and this knife was lying on the girder of the barn.

Priſoner. I came from Shropſhire, and it rained, and I went to get a lodging.

GUILTY.

Tried by the ſecond Middleſex Jury before Mr. Juſtice HEATH.

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493. JOHN WESTCOATE and GEORGE WILMOT were indicted for ſtealing two live geeſe, value 8s. the property of Richard Pyle.

BOTH GUILTY.

Tried by the ſecond Middleſex Jury before Mr. RECORDER.

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494. GEORGE BROWN was indicted for ſtealing, on the 25th of October, two tin ſaucepans, value 4d. a prince's metal candleſtick, value 4d. nine tin bottoms for candleſticks, value 4d. the property of William Wrathall.

——— MILLINGTON *ſworn.*

I live with Mr. William Wrathall of Snow-hill, plate worker; on the 13th of October, the priſoner at the bar was ſent by his maſter to erect ſome building in the warehouſe adjoining to the premiſes of Mr. Wrathall, which he completed on the 25th, and at half paſt five o'clock Charles Crowden brought ſome bottoms of candleſticks, and aſked if they belonged to Mr. Wrathall, which he immediately acknowledged; he ſaid he had been at a publick houſe called the Sailor's Laſt Shift, and a carpenter came in and enquired for a bag of tools; the priſoner having ſomething under his coat, and of a ſuſpicious appearance, they ſuſpected it to be a pot, and deſired him to unbutton, upon which the article now in my hand fell from under his coat; I went to the publick houſe and had the priſoner committed to the Compter; the priſoner lodged at No. 8, in

a court in Shoe-lane, there we found the articles mentioned in the indictment, and ſundry others; there was a metal candleſtick, and the bottoms of ſome other candleſticks, this is the piece I received from Mr. Crowden.

CHARLES CROWDEN *ſworn.*

I am a tin plate worker; I was at the Sailor's Laſt Shift about four o'clock, it is in Poppin's-court, it was the 25th of October; the priſoner came in and aſked for a bag of tools, and ſomething appeared under his coat, and a young fellow pulled his coat open and theſe things dropped from it; this is what they call block tin, it is the bottom of a candleſtick; I told him he could not have made it himſelf, he ſaid he found it among a parcel of things in Shoreditch; in the mean time Mr. Millington went and fetched a conſtable, and the priſoner was taken into cuſtody.

THOMAS HUCHLER *ſworn.*

I am a conſtable, I was ſent for to the Sailor's Laſt Shift on the 25th of October; I took the priſoner into cuſtody, and took him to the Compter.

PRISONER's DEFENCE.

I bought theſe things of the proſecutor's clerk.

GUILTY.

Tried by the ſecond Middleſex Jury before Lord KENYON.

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495. WILLIAM SAUNDERS was indicted for ſtealing, on the 20th of October, five ounces weight of indigo, value 2s. the goods of the Honourable United Company of Merchants trading to the Eaſt Indies.

A *ſecond count* charging it to be the property of perſons unknown.

Mr. Garrow opened the caſe.

GEORGE PARRY *ſworn.*

I am one of the elders of the warehouſe for private trade in the India Houſe; from ſome informatio I had received, when I was going to lock up, I called the priſoner into the private counting-houſe and told him he was accuſed of ſtealing ſome indigo, I hoped it was not ſo; I ſearched him and found about five ounces of indigo in his breeches pocket; he begged to be forgiven, and ſaid it was the firſt time; his breeches ſeemed died through.

ROBERT GRAY *ſworn.*

I ſaw the priſoner ſearched, and in his left-hand breeches pocket was this indigo.

THOMAS CABLE *ſworn.*

I ſaw the priſoner take the indigo out of the cheſt; I am a labourer in the warehouſes; I gave the information to Mr. Parry.

The priſoner called two witneſſes to his character.

GUILTY.

Tried by the London Jury before Mr. COMMON SERJEANT.

Recommended to mercy.

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496. ROBERT FOSTER was indicted for feloniouſly ſtealing, on the 20th of October, twelve ounces of quickſilver, value 2s. the property of the Honourable United Company of Merchants trading to the Eaſt Indies.

A *ſecond count* charging it to be the property of perſons unknown.

GEORGE PARRY *ſworn.*

I found about twelve ounces of quickſilver in the kennel, the priſoner tried to ſweep it away but could not; I had ſome information which led me to go there; he had juſt come from the floor where the quickſilver was; I ſpeak only from information, I ſuppoſe it to be the property of the Eaſt India Company, they do not ſell it retail; the priſoner told me a caſk had been upſet, and that he was bringing it to me in the neck of a quart bottle.

PETER

PETER TIB *ſworn.*

I was called to take up the quickſilver; I ſhould think it the property of the company, I have no other reaſon for thinking ſo, than being on the premiſes.

ROBERT HARLEY *ſworn.*

I was delivering ſome goods and I ſaw ſome quickſilve fall; I cannot ſay I knew who it fell from, it was not far from the priſoner; I ſaw a bottle fall and the quickſilver ſplaſh about, I cannot ſay who dropped it; the priſoner was coming from the floor where the quickſilver was kept.

CHRISTOPHER ANDERSON *ſworn.*

I ſaw the priſoner walk in the yard with his hands before him, and he dropped a phial, and I ſaw ſome quickſilver in the kennel cloſe by Foſter, and he went and threw part of the phial behind the grindſtone, and tried to cover the quickſilver with dirt.

THOMAS CABLE *ſworn.*

I ſaw the ſilver drop from him, he ſaid he got it to try a *maxim* with; he hit it againſt his button and that broke it.

MARTHA BRYAN *ſworn.*

I know the priſoner at the bar, he ſerved his time with my huſband; ſome ſtores were left when my huſband died, which I gave him at my huſband's death; he was gunner of the Belvidere; the priſoner always bore a good character.

JOHN WILLIAMS *ſworn.*

I am a ſhoe-maker, I have known him three years, he always bore a very good character.

GUILTY.

Tried by the London Jury before Mr. COMMON SERJEANT.

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497. JOHN BROWN was indicted for ſtealing, on the 27th of September, four lawn handkerchiefs, value 7s. 6d. and other goods, the property of Joſeph Procter and William Brownlow.

WILLIAM BROWNLOW *ſworn.*

I am in partnerſhip with Joſeph Procter; the things were found in the priſoner's box, in our houſe, he was our porter; I miſſed one particular piece, which determined me to ſearch, and I found the articles ſpecified in the indictment; he opened the box himſelf, it was in a garret where ſome of the ſervants boxes were; I delivered them to the conſtable; he had lived with me near about eighteen months, and he went away; he behaved ſo well that we took him in again; he has goods booked to him, we never refuſed him credit; I remember Mr. Mills having words with the priſoner; if he wanted any thing for his own wear they would have been put down; he once aſked my leave to take ſome gowns to ſhew to a friend, one was kept, it was booked to his account; ſome of the goods found in his box were in the ſhop the day before, and I know they are not entered in his name as ſold to him; I called all the ſervants in my houſe, and told them I had ſuſpicion of ſome goods being ſtolen, and deſired to ſearch their boxes; they all ſaid yes.

HENRY MILLS *ſworn.*

I am ſhopman to Procter and Brownlow; on the 27th of September Mr. Brownlow called upon us, and ſaid he miſſed a piece of goods, and wiſhed to ſearch our boxes; we went up ſtairs and opened our boxes in the priſoner's preſence; we found a variety of handkerchiefs, ſhawls, &c. in his box; they were delivered to the conſtable; he ſaid he had loſt the key of his box, then he and I broke open his box; we all agreed to have our boxes ſearched; I was not on very good terms with the priſoner; I had no maliceagainſt him; I never ſaid I would ruin him, or that I would do for him.

——— GREEN *ſworn.*

I am conſtable of St. Bride's; I produce theſe

theſe things, I had them of Mr. Brownlow, the corner of Water-lane, Fleet-ſtreet. (Depoſed to by the proſecutor).

JOHN SCRIVEN *ſworn.*

This matter happened about three months after I lived in Mr. Brownlow's ſervice.

SARAH PAGE *ſworn.*

I am a ſervant to Mr. Brownlow; I know Mr. Mills and the priſoner, they have had words, as all other ſervants do, but I never heard Mr. Mills ſay he would be d—d if he did not do for him.

The priſoner called four witneſſes, who gave him a good character.

GUILTY.

Tried by the London Jury before Mr. RECORDER.

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498. WILLIAM SMITH was indicted for feloniouſly ſtealing, on the 21ſt of October, one muſlin handkerchief, value 15s. and a great variety of other articles, the goods of James Davidſon, in his dwelling-houſe.

JAMES DAVIDSON *ſworn.*

I live in Ludgate-ſtreet, I am a linen-draper; on the 18th of October, I had ſuſpicion of the priſoner, who was my porter; I ſtaid at home on the following Sunday, he had leave to go out; I ſearched his pocket, and found in it a very fine white handkerchief, which I have no doubt but it was cut off the ſame day; as ſoon as he came home he took that handkerchief and put it into his pocket; I ſeized him, and I went to his waſherwoman; I told him he had better confeſs.

—— WARREN *ſworn.*

I am a conſtable, I ſearched and found the goods; I went to his mother's and to his waſherwoman; I produce the goods. (Mr. Davidſon depoſes to the handkerchief found on his perſon).

The priſoner called three witneſſes, who gave him a good character.

GUILTY ſtealing 4s.

Tried by the London Jury before Mr. COMMON SERJEANT.

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499. THOMAS POORE was indicted for burglarioufly and feloniouſly breaking and entering the dwelling houſe of Ann England, about the hour of ten in the night, of the 25th of September, and burglarioufly and feloniouſly ſtealing therein one linen ſheet, value 5s. the goods of Ann England.

A *ſecond count* laying it to be the property of John Paggett.

A *third count* laying the burglary to be in the dwelling houſe of John Paggett.

ANN ENGLAND *ſworn.*

I live at No. 3, Rodney's-row, Farmer-ſtreet, Shadwell; on the 25th of September, between nine and ten, I left my own home; when I came home, and coming up the row, I ſaw a man run out of the paſſage, that was Thomas Poore; I left the door padlocked, it is a ground floor; I went in and found the haſp was gone, and the door was broke open; I purſued up the alley, and called ſtop thief! when I gave the alarm, he dropped the ſheet; there was a man took hold of him and brought him back to the top of Farmer-ſtreet, and the officer took him to the watch-houſe; the ſtaple was drawn and a piece broke off the door; (*looks towards the bar*); that is the man; the ſheet was dropped about one hundred yards from where I live, I am a ſingle woman and have two rooms; I am very ſure my door was faſtened, I ſhewed the door to Phillips and the conſtable.

Priſoner. It is very hard for a man to have his life ſworn away, ſhe is a common proſtitute on the town.

JOHN

JOHN PHILLIPS *ſworn.*

I am a biſcuit baker, I live at No. 2, Lower Gun-alley; about a quarter before ten, on the 25th of September, I was going along Shadwell High-ſtreet, I heard the cry of ſtop thief! the priſoner was running as hard as he could and I ſtopped him, and Abberley aſſiſted me to take him back into Farmer-ſtreet; the woman ſaid that is the man; we then went to the houſe, and the ſtaple was gone, and a piece of the wainſcot torn away.

THOMAS ABBERLEY *ſworn.*

On the 25th of September, I was going along Shadwell, and this girl charged the priſoner with breaking open her room; I examined the room and found it had been broke open, as before deſcribed. (The ſheet produced and depoſed to by the proſecutrix).

Priſoner. I know no more of it than the child juſt born into the world.

GUILTY of ſtealing the ſheet.

Tried by the firſt Middleſex Jury before Mr. COMMON SERJEANT.

5do. JUDITH BIDWELL was indicted for ſtealing, on the 18th day of October, a metal watch with a tortoiſeſhell outſide caſe, value 30s. the goods of Matthew Fiſher.

MATTHEW FISHER *ſworn.*

I loſt my watch the 18th of October, about nine in the evening; I live in Old-ſtreet, it waſt loſt out of the bed room, the priſoner had been a ſervant, but went away the Tueſday before; I keep a cook's ſhop, I found my watch pledged.

THOMAS EADES *ſworn.*

I am a pawnbroker, I live with Henry Page in Chiſwell-ſtreet; on Friday morning the 19th of October, I took this watch in of Elizabeth Perkins, and lent her half a guinea.

ELIZABETH PERKINS *ſworn.*

I am a ſhoemaker's wife; at eleven o'clock on the 18th of October, I went from my houſe in Bunhill-row; ſhe came to me about a quarter before nine on the 19th of October in the morning; ſhe ſaid to me, Betſey, I found a watch laſt night going home to my lodgings; I deſired her to let me look at it, ſhe put it into my hand, and begged I would pledge it; I aſked how much I was to aſk, ſhe ſaid half a guinea or 12s. I took it to Eades, and he lent me half a guinea; I never ſaw the outſide caſe.

ANN GREEN *ſworn.*

I ſaw Judith Bidwell going with Mr. Perkins for her clothes on the night Mr. Fiſher loſt his watch.

Priſoner. I found this watch on the 18th, in the ſtate it is now, and I deſired Perkins to pawn it. (The watch produced and depoſed to, it had no outſide caſe).

GUILTY.

Tried by the firſt Middleſex Jury before Mr. COMMON SERJEANT.

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501. GEORGE JOHNSTON was indicted, for ſtealing, on the 11th of October, a linen table cloth, value 12d. a tea caddee, value 12d. and a child's frock, value 4d. the goods of James Groves.

ANN GROVES *ſworn.*

I am the wife of James Groves, he lives at Mile End; on the 11th of October, between the hours of eleven and twelve in the day, I loſt a table cloth, a tea caddee, and a child's frock; I loſt them out of my houſe in the lower room: George Johnſton owned he had took the goods.

WILLIAM BOYER *ſworn.*

I keep a publick houſe, the ſign of the Black Bull; the priſoner came to my houſe on the 11th of October, between the hours

of eleven and twelve o'clock, and had a pint of beer in company with another black man, and offered a tea caddee to ſell; he had another bundle.

THOMAS FRENCH *ſworn.*

I am a pawnbroker's ſervant in White Chapel; on the 11th of October, about twelve o'clock, I ſaw the priſoner in our ſhop with a tea caddee, a table cloth, and a child's frock; he lent 2s. 6d. on the tea caddee, and 2d. on the frock. (The caddee, table cloth, and frock depoſed to.)

Priſoner. I was very drunk.

GUILTY.

Tried by the firſt Middleſex Jury before Mr. COMMON SERJEANT.

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502. JOHN BONUS was indicted for, that he on the 2d of June laſt having in his cuſtody a certain parchment inſtrument, partly written and partly printed, called a debenture, with an indorſement ſigned and ſubſcribed by Sir Alexander Munro, knight, and others, four of the commiſſioners of the cuſtoms in England, and directed to Auguſtus Pechell, the receiver-general and caſhier of the cuſtoms of our lord the king, at London, for payment or allowance to Edward Payne, Rene Payne, and George Smith, of London aforeſaid, merchants and partners in trade, by the name and deſcription of Edward and Rene Payne and Co. of 127l. 11s. 7d. and unlawfully diviſing to fraud the ſaid Meſſrs. Payne and Co. afterwards; (to wit) on the ſaid 2d day of June, did felonioufly make, forge, and counterfeit, on the back of the ſaid parchment inſtrument, and under the ſaid order, a certain acquittance and receipt for money, with the name George Smith thereto ſubſcribed, purporting to be ſubſcribed by him for himſelf and the ſaid Edward Payne, Rene Payne, and partner, for the ſaid ſum; the tenor of which receipt is as follows: 'Received by me the 2d of June, 1792, for partners and ſelf, George Smith,' with intention to defraud them.

A ſecond count, charging him with uttering the like inſtrument with the like intention.

A third and fourth counts, for the ſame offence, with intent to defraud Auguſtus Pechell.

A fifth and ſixth count, for the ſame offence, with intent to defraud the king.

(The indictment opened by Mr. Giles, and the caſe by Mr. Garrow).

(The witneſſes examined ſeparate).

GEORGE DELAVAN *ſworn.*

I am an officer of the cuſtoms. (Puts in the commiſſion).

Mr. Shelton read the names of the commiſſioners and found them correſpond.

AUGUSTUS PECHELL, Eſq. *ſworn.*

Puts in his patent as receiver-general and caſhier of the cuſtoms.

(Mr. Mills produced the debenture, and Mr. Delavan proved the ſignatures of the four commiſſioners, having often ſeen them write).

CHARLES COSTAN, Eſq. *ſworn.*

I am an officer in the cuſtoms; I am employed by Meſſrs. Payne and Co. to tranſact their buſineſs; I delivered a number of debentures for them to Mr. Bonus.

Mr. Fielding, priſoner's counſel. Have you any reſponſibility to the commiſſioners? —No, none but perſonal reſponſibility.

Mr. Garrow. The nature of the buſineſs you do for them is to paſs their papers through the cuſtom houſe?—I believe it was forty-four; I have ſeen their debentures in the hands of Mr. Mills, and I know this to be one of them; I cannot tell the amount of the whole forty-four; but it was a conſiderable ſum.

Mr. Fielding. Have you known Bonus any time?—I ſhould believe he had been about a year and a half clerk to Mr. Payne.

He had been the perſon always employed to tranſact this buſineſs?—Yes.

MILLS

——— MILLS *ſworn.*

Mr. Giles. Do you recollect ſeeing the priſoner any time in June?—On the 2d of June he brought a large number of debentures to me to be examined and marked for payment.

Did you examine them?—I did, and marked them, and delivered them to the priſoner.

Did you make any obſervation at that time reſpecting them?—Not in particular.

Had they any receipt on them?—They had not.

Did he apply to you for payment of them?—No ſir, the application was made to the treaſurer.

Did you recommend to him to do any thing with them?—The perſon who brings them to me to be marked for payment of courſe carries them afterwards to the treaſurer of the cuſtoms for payment; this is one of them that I marked.

JOHN RELPH *ſworn.*

I am in the treaſury, in the cuſtom houſe, where the debentures are paid; in the morning of the 2d of June forty-four were brought to me in my office, I believe by the priſoner; as ſoon as he had laid them down on the counter I told him to witneſs one of them, which is a form that we require, to witneſs the ſignature of the perſon, that is the receiver; then we compare the ſums with a liſt which he gives us of the total ſums; then I looked at the acquittance to ſee if that was regular; it ſo appeared; the name of the witneſs was rather faint, therefore I ſaid your name, Sir, to which he ſpelt the letters Bonus; then I withdrew, and my brother clerk next to me came and took the order; I only wrote the name of Bonus; the courſe is to carry it to the teller; the amount of the whole was 1062l. 19s. ſo far as I know to my knowledge, I believe it to be the priſoner.

Mr. Fielding. But you do not ſay poſitively?—No.

HENRY COLLIER *ſworn.*

Do you recollect whether you made any order on the teller for the payment of a debenture on the 2d of June laſt?—I did, in conſequence of Mr. Mills having marked it; this is one of thoſe that I made the order for; I am clerk under the receiver general.

Mr. Fielding. You ſeeing what Mr. Mills had done, that was the foundation upon which you made the order?—I could make it no otherwiſe.

Mr. Garrow. Was the debenture in the condition it is now when you made the order?—I cannot ſay that, I looked only at what Mr. Mills had done, and I examined it to ſee that the commiſſioners names were to it.

Mr. Garrow. Had it the acquittance of the merchant?—Yes, it had.

Mr. Fielding. You looked principally to Mills having done right?—No, I looked to ſeveral parts; I looked to the commiſſioners hands, and whether the indorſement correſponded to the commiſſioners order, ſeeing that I deemed it all right.

Mr. Garrow. But do you pay upon it without an acquittance purporting to be the acquittance of the perſon receiving the draw-back?

Mr. Fielding. You aſk no queſtions about that, you look at the inſtrument, if the inſtrument appears to be regular you then make your order.

Mr. Garrow. Do you take it to be perfect, or ever pay it unleſs there is an acquittance?—I always aſk them to witneſs it.

Mr. Fielding. Did you, at the time when theſe debentures were tendered to you for your order, enter into any converſation with the perſon that produced it?—No.

Was Mr. Smith's receipt upon it before you made the order yourſelf?—Certainly, the acquittance was upon it or elſe I ſhould never make an order; I make the perſon who brings it witneſs it; I was certainly ſatisfied with it.

Mr. Fielding. Have you a recollection whether you did or did not more particularly inſpect this than the other forty-three?—I looked at them all to ſee whether they were properly indorſed by the merchant.

RICHARD

RICHARD HOPKINS *sworn.*

I am a teller in the office of the receiver general of the customs; I have a note on Mr. Collier for 1062l. 19s. on various debentures, I paid the amount of it to the person that brought them; I do not recollect the person; it was the 2d of June, I cannot tell the time of the day.

Mr. Fielding. In fact you actually paid it on that note being produced?—Yes.

So that any person coming into your office with such a volume of paper would be a sufficient warrant for you to pay the money.—Yes.

Nothing is produced to you but that paper?—Nothing at all.

JOSIAH LANE COLVIN *sworn.*

I am acquainted with the writing of George Smith, Edward Payne, Rene Payne, and George Smith, I am acquainted with all their hands; it is not the hand writing of George Smith, it has very much the appearance of the prisoner's hand writing.

Do you see the witness's hand writing; whose writing is that?—John Bonus, the prisoner.

Do you know at what time the prisoner went away.

Mr. Fielding. You are in the house of Messrs. Payne?—I am.

What time did the prisoner go away?—He was not there after the 30th of July; I did not see him till he was taken, that was in the New Prison; I believe it was about the beginning of September.

First, as to the hand writing of Mr. Smith, can you only say that it is not like the hand writing of Mr. Smith?—Yes.

Bonus was in confidential service with Mr. Payne at this time.—He was his collecting clerk.

He had the care of many debentures before, and of course of that debenture?—He had.

He was not called upon to account particularly for this money?—It was always customary that that very day he should come down and make his receipts in our cash books; it is generally known the day he goes there for that purpose, there is no entry in the book; these debentures were in his custody, and he took them himself.

Mr. Fielding. He was till the end of July in the constant habit of making his appearance?—Yes, there was no particular absence.

A large sum of money appears to have been paid on these debentures together; does not the house look out for it?—It is a custom to leave it to the settling clerk to get up these debentures, and he applies to Mr. Coslin; it is Mr. Bonus's business to look out for the first day in which they might be paid.

Is it not likewise the custom of the partners to see when the day arrives to receive 1000l.?—No, Sir, the prisoner was the person; it was altogether intrusted to him to do.

From the commencement of June to the end of July was no enquiry made about these debentures?—That was entirely out of my department; I do not know that any application was made to me.

JONH FRANCIS KALM *sworn.*

I was in the employ of Messrs. Payne and Co.

What was the business of the prisoner?—To attend and do the business at the custom house.

What was the course of the house with respect to the debentures after they had passed through Mr. Coslin's hands?—To receive the money, the value of them; he most generally brought them to the house for one of the house to sign the acquittance.

Upon their being so brought did they find their way into any book of the house?—They were then entered in the cash book.

Then they were signed by one of the principals?—Yes.

Upon that the commissioners were credited in the cash book?—Yes.

Look at the cash book and see whether these forty-four were entered?—I have looked and there is no such entry.

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Were they ever brought to account as having been paid?—No, never.

Not during the whole of the month?—No.

How ſoon in the common courſe did he make the commiſſioners creditors for the amount of the debentures paid?—That very day, and though he continued a month this never came to account; I am acquainted with the hand writing of Mr. George Smith; I have ſeen him write many time.

This is not his hand writing?—By no means.

Would you have paid a draft for 20l. on that ſignature?—By no means, I am perfectly acquainted with the hand writing Bonus, and would ſay that name, George Smith, is Bonus's writing; the name John Bonus I ſhould think is the priſoner's writing; I take the whole of the writing of the acquittance to be the priſoner's writing; to the beſt of my belief I think ſo; he was not ſeen in the houſe of trade after the latter end of July till he was apprehended, and that was in September.

Mr. Fielding. Is it in your department to know when the money may be paid on debentures?—As ſoon as they are ſigned it is my chief look to ſee that they are paid; I know nothing of it till they are brought in for ſignature.

All I can aſk you is, from the 2d of June up to the end of July, if you ſaw Mr. Bonus in his duty as uſual in the houſe?—Yes.

WILLIAM MANING *ſworn.*

I am well acquainted with the hand writing of George Smith, one of the partners in Mr. Edward Payne's houſe; I am perfectly well acquainted with his hand writing.

Look at that name and ſay whether it is his hand writing; I am perfectly well acquainted with his hand writing; I do not believe it is his hand writing.

JOHN HUNTER *ſworn.*

I was a clerk in the houſe of Mr. Payne and Co. I was well acquainted with the hand writing of Mr. George Smith; I do not think this is his ſignature.

Do you know Bonus?

Was you acquainted with the character of his hand-writing?—I cannot ſay whoſe hand-writing it is, I have not any belief about it.

Whoſe hand-writing do you believe it to be?—Was this paper ſhewn me at any other time, I could not ſay poſitively, nor could I think whoſe hand-writing it was.

Mr. Fielding. You have ſeen Bonus write as often as you have ſeen Mr. Smith write?—I have.

And cannot ſay whoſe hand-writing this is?—I may have ſuppoſition, but I cannot ſay.

JOHN DEWKESBURY *ſworn.*

I am well acquainted with the hand-writing of Mr. George Smith, (looks at the leaf), this is not his hand-writing, to the beſt of my knowledge and belief.

HENRY SMYTH *ſworn.*

I am not well acquainted with the hand-writing of George Smyth, I am acquainted with Bonus's manner of writing.

Look at this inſtrument, whoſe hand-writing do you believe that ſignature of George Smyth to be?—I have examined this with a book, and there is a ſtrong ſimilarity.

Mr. Garrow. If you ſpeak merely by having compared that with any other writing, I do not aſk; if you ſpeak by looking at it, you will ſay?—It is impoſſible.

THOMAS CARPMEAL *ſworn.*

I apprehended the priſoner at Dover. (The indorſement read.)—'Received by 'me the 2d of June 1792, for partners and 'ſelf. 'George Smyth.'

'Witneſs J. Bonus.'

PRISONER's DEFENCE.

My Lord, and gentlemen of the jury, under the unfortunate ſituation in which I now ſtand, and have been theſe two months, my mind is too much embarraſſed, and my ſpirits too much depreſſed, to attempt to ſay any thing for myſelf; the honour, the juſtice, and humanity of this court I have always held in the greateſt reverence; to that honour,

and to that juſtice, and the humanity of the court, and on you, gentlemen of the jury, I rely very much, not only for myſelf, but for my wife and our aged parents; my counſel will call ſuch witneſſes as I have given, and the gentlemen of the jury will take it into conſideration; I can ſay no more.

JOHN HEATH *ſworn.*

I live in Milk-ſtreet, Cheapſide; I have known Mr. Bonus between 10 and 12 years, during which time he has always ſuſtained a character unimpeached; I have been connected with him in the courſe of buſineſs, and always found him honeſt.

Mr. Knowlys. Do you know Mr. Bonus's hand writing, I have known it almoſt the whole of the ten years.

In your judgment is that name, George Smith, the hand writing of Mr. Bonus?—George Smith at the bottom here, it does not appear to me to be like the hand writing, I have ſeen him write.

Mr. Garrow. Had you ever occaſion to ſee him write the words George Smith?—Never.

Will you look at the words John Bonus; whoſe writing do you believe that to be?—I do not believe that to be Mr. Bonus's, from my knowledge of his writing; he uſed to ſign John.

Do you think the word Bonus is not his writing?—I do not think that it is, I do not upon my word; it is not ſo fair a hand as he uſually wrote; I never ſaw him write on parchment, or any of his writing on parchment.

ROBERT KILLINLY *ſworn.*

I knew Mr. Bonus at ſchool, and have known him all that time; I was in the habits of intimacy with him, and I always found his connections were extremely reſpectable, and himſelf always regarded; he bore the general character of an honeſt man; I have had frequent opportunities of ſeeing his hand writing lately.

Will you be ſo good to look at that and tell us whether, in your judgment, that is the hand writing of Mr. Bonus?—I do not believe it is, from his general method of ſigning his name, it was much ſmaller, and the letters more regular.

Mr. Garrow. Not like what you have ſeen written on paper for honeſt purpoſes?—All his purpoſes were honeſt that I was concerned with him in.

Did he uſe to write the Chriſtian name at length?—Yes, but here it is not at length.

The priſoner called four more witneſſes, who gave him a good character.

GUILTY, Death.

Tried by the London Jury before Mr. Juſtice HEATH.

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503. JAMES JONES and JOHN HARRISON were indicted for ſtealing, on the 18th of October, two pair of ſilver ſhoe buckles, value 40s. the property of Robert Rutherford.

——— CAVE *ſworn.*

I am ſhopman to the proſecutor; I was ſtanding in the middle of the ſhop; between two and three in the afternoon I heard the ſhop glaſs break; the priſoners were together; they ran away; theſe buckles were miſſing; I purſued them, and ſaw one deliver to the other ſomething, and when they came to the end of the ſtreet, one went one way and the other the other; I purſued Jones, and he threw a pair of buckles over the church-yard wall. (The buckles produced and depoſed to.)

Cave. I am clear the priſoners are the perſons that broke the glaſs and took out the buckles.

Priſoner James Jones. I only came out of the country on Sunday morning.

Priſoner Harriſon. My Lord, I leave what I have to ſay to my counſel.

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The prisoner Harrison called one witness to his character.

BOTH GUILTY.

Transported for seven years.

Tried by the London Jury before Mr. Justice HEATH.

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504. THOMAS CLARK was indicted for stealing, on the 17th of October, a cotton quilted morning gown, value 20s. a flannel gown, value 20s. and another cotton morning gown, value 10s. and a linen towel, value 1s. the property of Thomas Cruden.

THOMAS CRUDEN *sworn.*

I live in Ten Court, Fenchurch-street, a doctor of physic; the back of my Phaeton was cut, and three gowns tied up in a towel were taken away; it was about six in the evening; I observed nobody by me; I missed them the side of St. Mary Axe; I saw them in Bishopsgate-street; I found the articles at the magistrates on the Saturday following.

JAMES HALL *sworn.*

I am a constable belonging to the city; on Wednesday the 17th of October, near eight o'clock, I was going along Bishopsgate-street, and I stopped to speak to the toll-man, at the end of Sun-street, Bishopsgate-street; I saw a suspicious person pass me, a little taller than the prisoner; then I saw the prisoner come by with a bundle, I followed him at some little distance till I came to a publick-house, where there was a light, I caught hold of him and asked him what he had got there; says he they are two gowns; they were tied up in an old silk handkerchief; I asked him where he came from, he said from Shackelwell, and was going to Wallbrook with two gowns to Mr. Grice; the publican knew him, and said he was an honest lad; he sent for his father, he is a hackney coachman; immediately, on the father's coming in he said, father, here is a man has stopped me with these two gowns; and says he, I took them out of a coach which some gentlemen had left; the father shook his head, said nothing, and went out. (The gown deposed to).

PRISONER's DEFENCE.

A young man asked me to mind his coach and horses, and in the coach I saw this bundle and took it out, and put it up in my handkerchief, then Mr. Hall took me; I told him I found them in a coach.

GUILTY.

Transported for seven years.

Tried by the London Jury before Mr. COMMON SERJEANT.

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505. RICHARD RUSSEL was indicted for stealing, on the 9th of October, one sextant, unfurnished, made of wood, brass, and ivory, value 50s. the goods of Robert Gota.

ROBERT GOTA *sworn.*

I am a mathematical instrument maker, No. 146, Wapping; on Tuesday, October 9th, between eight and nine in the morning, while I was at breakfast, a young lad knocked at the door and asked me if I had lost any thing, I looked round and saw a glass case door open, and the sextant in it taken out; this glass case stood in the shop, about nine feet from the door, against the shop wall; I immediately missed the sextant; I received information of it; I went and saw it; at one o'clock a boy came, and I went with him and caught hold of the prisoner in Newmarket-street, at the bottom of Gravel Lane, he was with his companion, he d——d my bloody life and said he would rip it up if I did not let him go; he was in company with another; he ran from me and ran down King-street; I never lost sight of him at that time, but I did afterwards till he was secured; he was taken that evening, and I saw him at Justice Davis's; I found the sextant in the house of one of the evidences, Downing, between one and two o'clock; he said

ſaid that the priſoner had left it about ten minutes, and gave no further account of it, and juſtice Davis thought proper to commit him; about ſix o'clock the ſame evening the priſoner at the bar came to Downing's houſe to demand the inſtrument, and he was ſeized; it was made of ebony, braſs and ivory.

WILLIAM ETHERINGTON *ſworn.*

I am a conſtable; I produce the ſextant, I got it from Downing, a ſhoemaker; Mr. Gota gave me charge of him; I have kept it ever ſince.

BARTHOLOMEW CONNER *ſworn.*

I am a labourer; I was coming from my day's work; I lodge at Downing's, and the priſoner came and aſked for what he had left in the morning, it was the 9th of October, Tueſday, I never ſaw him before; he aſked for the thing he had left in a blue apron that morning; he did not ſay what it was; I never ſaw the ſextant in the houſe: I took him into cuſtody, and had him to the juſtice.

SUSANNAH CHAMPION *ſworn.*

I lodge at Mr. Downing's, the ſhoemaker, in King's-ſtreet, Wapping; this young man came in at eight or nine o'clock in the morning; I had never ſeen him before; he is the ſame man that brought the quadrant into Downing's houſe, and came for it; he ſaid I will leave this here for a minute or two, and ran off again, before he could get an anſwer.

Did you ever ſee this man with Downing? — I never did; Downing did not know it was there till twelve o'clock; he never knew it was in the houſe till his wife examined; the owner of it came and took it away from our houſe, but, between ſix and ſeven at night the priſoner came and aſked for what he had left in the blue apron in the morning, and he was taken by Conner.

MARY HAMPTON *ſworn.*

I ſaw the priſoner come in the morning, between eight and nine, and aſked leave to leave that thing in the blue apron; Downing did not come in till he had ſeen the owner, and he came in for it, and took it out to carry to the owner, and the priſoner came again about ſix or ſeven at night, for the thing he had left in the blue apron, and Conner ſaid if he would come in he would give it him, ſo when he came in he took hold of him.

CHARLES DOWNING *ſworn.*

I am a ſhoemaker; I was committed upon a charge of taking this inſtrument; I went out about eight in the morning; Mr. Gota was running down, and aſked me if I ſaw a man with a long white coat paſs by, I told him I had not; I went up to the houſe and got the thing to carry it to Mr Gota's houſe, and at the bottom of New Market-ſtreet, he got me there, and gave me in charge to an officer, and had me before the magiſtrate, and I was committed, and he diſcharged me afterwards, upon proper evidence that I was not in the houſe; I never ſaw the priſoner before; Mr. Gota's houſe is about a quarter of a miles from mine.

Court to Proſecutor. Was that boy a ſervant of yours? — No. (Depoſes to the ſextant).

Priſoner. A man who appeared to be a ſteward of a ſhip aſked me to carry this to No. 2, King's-ſtreet; I carried it, and the man went with me, and the ſame man went with me at ſix o'clock to fetch it.

The priſoner called two witneſſes, who gave him a good character.

GUILTY 30s. (Aged 22.)

Tranſported for ſeven years.

Tried by the ſecond Middleſex Jury before Mr. RECORDER.

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506. JAMES TINGAY was indicted for feloniouſly ſtealing, on the 8th of October, three thouſand ſteel needles, value 5s. the goods of Thomas Shearwood.

THOMAS

THOMAS SHEARWOOD *ſworn.*

I am a needle-maker; the priſoner had been in my ſervice as a labourer in the finiſhing of needles; the needles loſt were fixed in a neſt of drawers, ready for ſale, put each ſide ſeparate; I ſaw him ariſe to take them; this good man I had placed great confidence in, and had left him to eat his dinner, in the room; he had come to finiſh his work left undone that day; I went to eat my dinner, I ſaw him ariſe from his dinner, which I ſuppoſe was to take the property; after he had left the place I examined theſe drawers, he went backward to the ſhed where he uſed to work; and, finding the goods miſſing, I immediately applied to an officer, who came and ſearched him, and found the property upon him; the officer took the property, his name is Furnell.

RICHARD FURNELL *ſworn*

I examined the priſoner, and found theſe needles upon him. (Produced and depoſed to).

The priſoner called two witneſſes, who gave him a good character.

GUILTY 1s. (Aged 49).

Tried by the ſecond Middleſex Jury before Mr. RECORDER.

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507. WILLIAM SHARPE was indicted for ſtealing, on the 28th of September, one cotton frock, value 2s. one cotton and linen apron, value 2id. one cotton ſhirt, value 3s. and one pinnafore, value 2d. the goods of William Matthews.

——— MATTHEWS *ſworn.*

I am wife of William Matthews; the articles mentioned in the indictment were hanging on the line, in the lower room, in the parlour, in the room we live in, in Brook-ſtreet, facing School-houſe Lane; between eight and nine in the morning I ſaw them there; on Friday morning the 28th of September, I ſaw them again brought to my door by Henry Bridges, very ſoon after; I ſaw him coming out of the premiſſes, and aſked the priſoner what he wanted, he made no anſwer; I am ſure it was the priſoner, I ſaw him coming out of the door.

HENRY BRIDGES *ſworn.*

I am a journeyman baker; I was in my own houſe and heard Mrs. Matthews ſay, ſome perſon had been in her houſe; I ran after the priſoner, and took him not far from the houſe, and he took the bundle from his left ſide and threw it over his right, down School Houſe Lane; I had not loſt ſight of the bundle or priſoner. (The bundle produced). Here is a cotton frock, a linen apron, a cotton pinnafore, and a linen ſhirt.

Priſoner. I would wiſh to aſk where I was taken?—He was taken at the bottom of School Houſe Lane.

Priſoner. I was taken by a butcher.—A butcher coming along threw a wet cloth over his face while I took him. (The things depoſed to).

Priſoner. I was coming up from Blackwall, when I was ſtopped by a butcher; preſently after this man came out of School Houſe Lane, who was paſſing by me, and the butcher called to him and ſaid, this is the man, and he took me, and afterwards a man came and brought this property, and ſaid I ſtole it.

GUILTY. (Aged 20).

Tried by the ſecond Middleſex Jury before Mr. RECORDER.

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508. MARY CAVE was indicted for feloniouſly ſtealing, on the 28th of October, one cloth great coat, value 15s. and one petticoat, value 5s. the goods of William Turner.

WILLIAM TURNER *ſworn.*

I am a publican in Holborn; I keep the French Horn facing Ibberſon's, the George; on the 25th of October, this Mary Cave came

came into my ſervice; on the 28th I diſapproved of her, this was Sunday evening; ſhe was ſent up ſtairs and came down again, and I deſired her to be ſearched; from under her petticoat there was taken a boy's great coat; in further ſearching, there was a little pin caſe and a book, I ſaw the great coat and book; I went to Mr. Wells's, a pawnbroker, on the 29th, and took with me a duplicate found on the priſoner; the pawnbroker produced a petticoat of my wife's.

THOMAS WELLS *ſworn.*

I am a pawnbroker; the priſoner came to me on the 26th of October; ſhe brought the ſtuff petticoat to me; and I took it in and lent her 5s. on it.

GUILTY.

Tranſported for ſeven years.

Tried by the ſecond Middleſex Jury before Mr. RECORDER.

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509. MARGARET SNOW was indicted for feloniouſly ſtealing, on the 16th of October, nine yards of worked muſlin, value 3s. the good of George Twynam and Thomas James.

A *ſecond count*, for feloniouſly ſtealing, on the 19th of October, three muſlin ſhawls, value 5s. the goods of the ſame perſons.

THOMAS LEADHAM *ſworn.*

I am ſhopman to Thomas James and George Twynam; on the 19th of October I remember ſeeing the priſoner at the bar, and ſerved her one ſhawl, ſhe did not pay for it; I had ſeen the priſoner at the bar once before only; ſhe was in the ſhop about a quarter of an hour or twenty minutes; Mr. James attended her before me; during the time I was ſeparating the ſhawl that ſhe had agreed for from the reſt, ſhe drew theſe three ſhawls from off the counter on her lap; I ſaw her; ſhe ſat ſide ways, with her elbow on the counter, and ſhe made uſe of her other hand to draw them off; ſhe did it in the manner as I conceived to be concealing them, I ſaid nothing to her on obſerving this; after I had cut her the ſhawl, ſhe went away, and bid me good morning; I went and ſpoke to Mr. James; I went after her and aſked her to walk back, Mr. James wanted to ſpeak to her; I took her into the back ſhop, Mr. James followed, and obſerved to her that ſhe had got ſome property that was not her own; I took the ſhawls from her, from underneath the cloak; I really cannot ſay ſhe ſaid any thing. (The conſtable was ſent for).

Mr. Garrow, priſoner's counſel. You did not know the nature or extent of her dealings at the houſe?—I did not.

What do you call them?—Callico muſlin.

THOMAS JAMES *ſworn.*

I am in partnerſhip with Mr. George Twynam; I know the priſoner at the bar; I ſaw her in my ſhop on the 19th of October; I remember her being brought back into the back ſhop, and I ſaw the young man take from her ſide three ſhawls.

What do you call them?—Callico muſlin; it is a muſlin as thick as callico; the priſoner ſaid ſhe hoped I would forgive her, ſhe had never taken any thing before; a conſtable was ſent for, and we took her in a coach to Bow-ſtreet, and the priſoner wanted ſomething at her lodgings, and I went to her lodgings with her to Hide-ſtreet, Bloomſbury, and I ſaw taken out of a drawer about nine yards of muſlin; it is worth about 60s. the conſtable took out a great variety of things, among which was this one piece of muſlin. (Depoſed to by the hand-writing). It had never been ſold out of our ſhop.

Mr. Garrow. How many people ſell in your ſhop?—Seven.

How long had ſhe dealt in your ſhop?—About a year and a half.

Had ſhe paid you any money that morning?—Ten guineas in part of a bill.

When at any time on the payment of her

her bills did you make her any preſent?—Yes, we have.

How much had ſhe laid out in this year and a half?—100l. I ſuppoſe.

Do you always cut off your mark when you ſell your goods?—No.

——— GEARING *ſworn.*

I know this muſlin; I did not ſell it; I had miſſed it about ſix weeks or two months.

Mr. Garrow. Is that part of your maſter's ſtock?—It is.

Do you know whether it is part of Mr. James's ſtock?—I do not know.

ROGER GASHELL *ſworn.*

I am a conſtable; that is what was picked out of her drawer; I know nothing elſe.

Priſoner. I leave it to my counſel.

JOSEPH MANN *ſworn.*

I live in Aldermanbury; I am a wholeſale hoſier, I have known her between fourteen and fifteen years;—a moſt irreproachable character till this charge.

Court. What are her habits in life?—She is a chamber milliner.

BENJAMIN FULLER *ſworn.*

I live in Clement's courts, Milk-ſtreet; I have known her twelve or fourteen years in a very creditable ſituation. She lived lived very creditable as a ſhop woman to ſeveral gentlemen.

JOHN WANLESS *ſworn.*

I live in Fore-ſtreet, Cripplegate; I have known her ſeven years; ſhe lived with me two years, and conducted the millinery buſineſs for me; I repoſed implicit confidence in her, and never found ſhe abuſed it.

RICHARD BECKETT *ſworn.*

I live in Duke-ſtreet, Lincoln's Inn Fields; the priſoner lodged with me from February, 1791, to July 1792, her character was very good in every reſpect.

WILLIAM BOWERS *ſworn.*

I live in Vere-ſtreet, Clare Market; I am a grocer, I have know her twenty months laſt, ſhe had a very fair character, ſhe always paid very well, and behaved as an honeſt woman ſhould do.

GUILTY of ſtealing the ſhawls, value 29s.

Fined 1s. *and impriſoned twelve months.*

Tried by the ſecond Middleſex Jury before Mr. RECORDER.

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510. MARY ANN SHORT was indicted for ſtealing, on the 15th of October, one muſlinet gown, value 8s. and one muſlin half handkerchief, value 9d. the goods of Joſeph Kendal.

CHARLOTTE KENDAL *ſworn.*

I am the wife of Joſeph Kendal; I live in the pariſh of St. George; I loſt a corded muſlinet gown, and a muſlin half handkerchief, the 15th of October, Monday, from Catherine Cotterell's room; ſhe lives facing the Bunch of Grapes, in Cable-ſtreet; when I am not at work, I uſed to go and be in her room, and undreſſed myſelf; I left my dirty things in her room on Sunday, where I dreſſed myſelf, and went on Monday morning, and changed my cloaths between nine and ten o'clock, and I went again in the afternoon and found they were gone, and from what I was told I ſuſpected Mary Ann Short; the handkerchief was found at John Murray's, pawnbroker.

CATHERINE COTTRELL *ſworn.*

Charlotte Kendall came up into my room and left this gown and handkerchief on Monday morning in my room; I went out about two or three o'clock, and left the things in the room; when I went home I ſaw Mary Ann Short, and ſhe was in liquor,

liquor, and aſked me to drink, and I ſaid I had no money.

What is Mary Ann Short?—She lived in the oppoſite room to me, but I don't know what ſhe is; ſhe was very much in liquor indeed; this was between ſix and ſeven on the ſame day.

JOHN MURRAY *ſworn.*

I am a pawnbroker in Eaſt Smithfield, I have got half an handkerchief, pawned by the priſoner on Monday the 15th of October, in the afternoon, between the hours of three and four; (produced). I lent nine pence, on it, I am quite confident the priſoner is the perſon. I have known her a conſiderable time, (Depoſed to).

Priſoner. Mrs. James, did not you lend me the handkerchief to pawn it yourſelf?—I did not; I never ſaw her till I ſaw her to take her.

Priſoner. I pawned it for nine pence, and did not go back with the money, but ſtaid and ſpent it; and on the next morning I found myſelf in the watch-houſe, and then ſhe charged me with ſtealing a gown.

GUILTY of ſtealing the handkerchief, 9d.

Fined 1s. *and impriſoned three Months.*

Tried by the firſt Middleſex Jury before Mr. COMMON SERJEANT.

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511. JAMES THOMPSON was indicted for feloniouſly ſtealing, on the 31ſt of October, one linen ſhirt, value 18d. and thirty-ſix copper halfpence, the goods and monies of Robert Wringer.

ROBERT WRINGER *ſworn.*

I am a private in the ſecond regiment of foot guards; I live in Broad-way, Weſtminſter; laſt Wedneſday, in the afternoon, the 31ſt of October, I went out about half paſt two, and returned back about a quarter before five; I found my own ſtreet door faſt; I immediately got the key, and I heard the foot of ſome perſon in my own bed-room; the whole houſe is mine, I immediately cried out, who is there! five times; no perſon anſwered; I went up ſtairs, and as I was going up, I heard a perſon come out of the room and go up two pair of ſtairs; and at the foot of the two pair of ſtairs, I found the ſhirt I had pulled off; the priſoner laying on the floor ſeemingly aſleep; I called to him and aſked him what buſineſs he had there, and how he got in; he ſaid a man, Bill Eaves, ſent him there to ſleep; one who is of the ſame regiment with me; this Bill Eaves was on guard; I told him to come down, for I was very ſure he had no buſineſs there; he came down to my ſhop, and aſked me if I thought he came there to rob me; I ſaid it looked very much like the matter, as I was ſure he muſt have taken ſomething; he ſaid he came in at the back door, the back door was open at that time; the priſoner took off his coat and aſked me if he had got any thing belonging to me; I told him he had got nothing of any bulk, and if he had any private concern, as he was a ſoldier of the ſame regiment, I ſhould know where to find him; my wife came, and we found there were thirty ſix-pieces of copper halfpence taken out of the tea-cheſt, which was broke open. When I ſaw him take off his coat, I heard the jingle of halfpence in his pocket; he went away, and about half an hour after I found him.

ANN WRINGER *ſworn.*

I am the wife of the laſt witneſs; I left my houſe about a quarter after four; about ten minutes before I left it, I took an halfpenny out of my tea cheſt to buy ſome gooſeberries, and locked my tea cheſt ſafe; and when I went out I bolted my back door and locked my fore door and went to my ſiſter's; in about half an hour afterwards my huſband came to me for the key; I had left the ſhirt on the chair in the far end of the room; when I went home I found my tea cheſt broke open, and the eighteen pennyworth of halfpence were all gone.

WILLIAM ASTON *ſworn.*

I am a conſtable of Queen Square, Weſtminſter,

minſter; on the 31ſt of October the proſecutor came to me, and I took the priſoner in the Broad-way, Weſtminſter, between five and ſix o'clock; I took him to the Wolf and Grapes; and found nine pence halfpenny upon him in halfpence; I went afterwards to the houſe, and it appeared to me by a mark on a ſieve at the window that the man had ſlept up there, and got in at the window: I found this tea cheſt broke open, ſtanding on the table; I alſo have a ſhirt. (Produced, and depoſed to.)

PRISONER's DEFENCE.

John Hunt, who lodged at Wringer's, had offered me to lodge with him, and I went in backward, and went up and was aſleep when Wringer came, being intoxicated; I told him I hoped he did not think I came there to do him any harm, and I would be very happy if he would ſearch me.

GUILTY.

Tranſported for ſeven years.

Tried by the ſecond Middleſex Jury before Mr. COMMON SERJEANT.

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512 THOMAS MORRIS was indicted for feloniouſly ſtealing, on the 30th of October, ſeven block ſtraps, value 5s. the goods of Peter Young.

—— GRAY *ſworn.*

I am ſervant to Mr. Young of Limehouſe; on the 30th of October I obſerved this Thomas Morris to be on the premiſſes, at the rigging houſe; it was about four o'clock in the day, and I ſaw him take about a couple of block ſtraps and open the window and throw them towards a window, and he opened the window and threw them within ſide; after that I ſaw him come out of the rigging houſe and go round and open the window on the other ſide, and put his body and reached his body in, and he took out ſeven block ſtraps and two pieces of rope; and I went and informed, and planted myſelf again, and ſaw him come again and take another piece of rope; he took them to a place juſt by the New Cut, and pulled the graſs over them; he worked that day about three hours; he returned, after he hid them, about a quarter before ſix at night, and put this property into a jacket, and went off, and took them off about thirty yards, and then he was ſtopped by Hughes; he has the property now.

—— HUGHES *ſworn.*

I am a rope-maker; I watched this man, I ſaw the priſoner with the property, and ſtopt him; I did not ſee where he brought it from; he had the things upon his head. (Produced, and depoſed to.)

JOHN RICHARDS *ſworn.*

I am foreman to Mr. Young; theſe are the ſame ropes as produced at the Juſtice's; I ſaw them in the ditch, where they were planted, before taken away by the priſoner; the value is 5s.

Priſoner. I was in liquor.

GUILTY. (Aged 19.)

Tried by the ſecond Middleſex Jury before Mr. RECORDER.

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513 ANN VAUGHAN was indicted for ſtealing, on the 13th of October, one printed bound book, value 1s. one other printed book, value 6d. two yards of linen cloth, value 3s. one gold pin, value 5s. and other things, the goods of Mr. Turner; one ſilk handkerchief, value 2s. and two pocket handkerchiefs, value 2s. the goods of Benjamin Neal; one thimble, value 3d. one linen cloth apron, value 12d. one muſlin handkerchief, value 6d. one callico cap, value 6d. one muſlin border, value 6d. three yards and a half of ribbon, value 6d. and ſome other ribbon, value 3d. the goods of Anna Martin ſpinſter.

ANNA MARTIN *ſworn.*

I live at the houſe of Meſſrs. Neale and Turner; the priſoner lived ſervant with my

maſter two months and one day; ſhe left the ſervice before we took her up; ſhe was taken up a fortnight laſt Saturday; the 13th of October I loſt a cloth apron, a muſlin handkerchief, a ſilver thimble, and other things; I know alſo that my maſter's things were loſt; there were two books loſt, two pocket handkerchiefs, ſome linen, and a gold pin; theſe were the property of Mr. Turner, and two pocket-handkerchiefs, and one ſilk one, the property of Mr. Neal: I found the things in her lodging, in a place called Cat's Hall, near St. Catherine's Square. When I went to her lodgings ſhe was at home, and ſhe gave me leave to look at her box, and there was nothing in it but her own; I looked round that room, and then went up in the garret; I found the things in a bundle, and a gold pin, which I did not take, becauſe I did not know of the loſs the priſoner begged I would not hurt her, I told her I would not; ſhe is a young girl not eighteen.

TURNER *ſworn.*

I know nothing more than what the firſt witneſs has repreſented: I went a ſecond time to the priſoner's lodgings, and found the gold pin.

The priſoner called two witneſſes, who gave her an excellent character.

GUILTY, (Aged 17.)

Recommended to mercy

Fined 1s. and impriſoned three months.

Tried by the London Jury before Mr. COMMON SERJEANT.

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514. ROBERT TWIGG and JOSEPH FOX were indicted for feloniouſly ſtealing, the 31ſt of October, twenty-nine pounds of raw ſugar, value 15s. the goods of Robert Leghorn and Co.

SPINEY *ſworn.*

I work at Botolph Wharf; laſt Wedneſday morning, between nine and ten o'clock, I was looking through a loop hole and ſaw one of theſe men, Twigg, go into the cellar and ſhut the door after him; I came down and told my fellow ſervant of it, and came up to the gateway; in a ſhort time afterwards Twigg came up out of the cellar, opened the door, and threw out a bag, and then got up and took up the bag, and I came up; he made a puſh towards the gateway, and we took him, and he had got ſugar in the bag; the gangſmen came up, and a conſtable came, and I gave him the ſugar; Twigg ſaid there was another in the cellar, we went down and ſaw an handkerchief of ſugar upon the ſtairs, and another bag of ſugar cloſe by, and an hogſhead broke open; and we found the other man, Fox, concealed between the tubs, at the far end of the cellar; we ſecured him, and gave that ſugar to Mr. Merriman, the conſtable.

WILLIAM EDINGTON *ſworn.*

I am a conſtable, I took them into charge.

MERRIMAN *ſworn.*

I produce the ſugar, I have had it in my cuſtody ever ſince.

ROBERT TWIGG, (Aged 24,) JOSEPH FOX, (Aged 18,) } BOTH GUILTY.

Fined 1s. and impriſoned three months.

Tried by the London Jury before Mr. COMMON SERJEANT.

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515. JOSEPH LEAVER was indicted for ſtealing, on the 30th of October, one ſilk handkerchief, value 2s. the goods of Giles Long.

GILES LONG *ſworn.*

I am a ſheriff's officer; I was going along Cannon Street on Tueſday laſt, about three o'clock, I was informed my pocket was picked, and I went up to the priſoner, ſeized him; and took it from under his coat. (Produced, and depoſed to.)

Priſoner

Priſoner. there was a young man in a green coat, that dropped it and I picked it up, and that man came.

GUILTY, (Aged 21.)

Tranſported for ſeven Years.

Tried by the London Jury before Mr. RECORDER.

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516. ANN HARRIS was indicted for ſtealing, on the 4th of October, one canvas purſe, value 1d. one half guinea, four half crowns, and 19s. the goods and monies of Thomas Lovell.

THOMAS LOVELL *ſworn.*

I am a poor working man, had been at the harveſt at Kent, and was going down to Suſſex, and as I paſſed through London I thought I would go to the fair and buy ſome wearing apparel; I had been bargaining for a pair of breeches, and pulled my purſe out to pay for them, the priſoner aſked me if I wanted a coat, I ſaid I believe I ſhould buy one before I left the fair; ſhe ſaid ſhe would take me to her brother, where I ſhould get a good one; I went, but did not like any one; I went out, and at another place was bargaining for a waiſtcoat, and ſhe took the waiſtcoat out of my hand, and ſaid ſhe would double it up; I ſaid ſhe had no buſineſs with it, it belonged to me, ſo I took out my purſe to pay for it, and took out the ſilver and put the purſe into my waiſtcoat, and while I was feeling for three-penny-worth of halfpence, to make up the money for the waiſtcoat, ſhe took the purſe out of my pocket; I took hold of her hand to ſtop it, and a man ran between us, and I took hold of her immediately again, but the purſe was gone.

_____ VAUX *ſworn.*

I ſearched her, and found nothing upon her; the man charged her with taking 1l. 19s. 6d. upon the whole.

Priſoner. I am a poor girl; I have loſt all the uſe of my limbs on one ſide; my buſineſs is to ſtop at the ſhop door to bring in cuſtomers; I took this man to the Ship alehouſe, and he did not deal, and when he came out he bought a waiſtcoat, and the people were joſtling him about, and I went to him to double it up and to adviſe him to take care of it; no, ſays he; you b——h, I will put it in my bag; and preſently he cries out, where is the woman; that woman, ſays he, you b——h, you have robbed me; they took every thing off me and left me as naked as I came from my mother, to ſearch me, and found nothing; now, gentlemen, guilty or not guilty uſe, your own pleaſure.

BENJAMIN DORAN *ſworn.*

I keep a clothe's ſhop, in Roſemary Lane, in Roſemary Branch Alley; the priſoner at the bar lived nine months with me, and I never knew any thing diſhoneſt by her; ſhe left me about five months ago; I employed her at the door as a barker.

GUILTY. (Aged 33.)

Fined 1s. *and impriſoned twelve Months.*

Tried by the London Jury before Mr. COMMON SERJEANT.

MISDEMEANOR.

517. RICHARD WILBERRY was indicted for obtaining a 1s. by fale pretences.

CHARLES ASTILL *ſworn.*

I keep a green grocer's ſhop; I know the priſoner; he was ſervant to Mrs. Sarah Andrews, ſhe lives in the neighbourhood; I know her very well, ſhe keeps a publick houſe I had my beer there; the priſoner came to my houſe about nine o'clock on the 3d of October laſt, Tueſday, and ſaid his miſtreſs would be much obliged to me to let her have two guineas worth of ſilver, as his miſtreſs was buſy, as ſome of the watchmen were not paid; he ſaid my miſtreſs will ſend you the money up by and by; I told him I could not ſpare above one guinea's worth, which I gave him, ſeven half crowns, three ſhillings, and one ſixpence; I ſaw him about ten days after in his miſtreſs's houſe with the conſtable.

SARAH ANDREW *ſworn.*

I am a widow woman; the boy was a ſervant of mine; on Tueſday, 12th of October, he had lived two months; we had a very good character with him; I gave him no orders to go to Mr. Aſtill that day; I was not up, it was between eight and nine in the morning; I never ſaw him all the day; on the Saturday before I had given him ſeveral guineas to change, and he brought them, but he had no orders that Tueſday; he quitted my houſe that morning a little after eight, and never returned.

STEPHEN WARRINGTON *ſworn.*

I am the conſtable; in conſequence of Mrs. Andrew ſpeaking to me, I found the boy laſt Friday, in Turnmill ſtreet; I found him in a hay loft, according to directions; he confeſſed it as ſoon as I took him to his miſtreſs's houſe.

Priſoner. I am willing to make it up in my work when I am in work.

GUILTY. (Aged 18.)

Whipped, and impriſoned nine Months.

Tried by the London Jury, before Mr. RECORDER.

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The Trials being ended, the Court proceeded to paſs Sentence, as follows:

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William Young Chant (fined 1s.)
Iſaac Ball.

Mary Thomas (fined 1s.)
Charles Ancle.
John Weſtcoate.
George Wilmot (fined 1s.)

To be impriſoned Three Months.

George Brown.
John Small.
Ann Vaughan (fined 1s.)
Robert Twigg.
Joſeph Fox (fined 1s.)
Mary Ann Short (fined 1s.)

To be impriſoned Two Months.

William Saunders (fined 1s.)

To be impriſoned One Month.

Ann Scott.
William Short (fined 1s.)
Henry Coward (fined 1s.)
Edward Burne.

To be impriſoned One Week.

Ann Turner.
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